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Crowds flock to see out cops at Los Angeles Gay Pride Festival

SFPD uniformed officers to march with Chief in parade

by Nathan Shreve
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

The 1991 Los Angeles Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration marked the 21st Anniversary of Christopher Street West. During the two day celebration June 22 and 23, over 300,000 visitors attended the gala events in West Hollywood.

The parade is California's third largest with over 280 different entries and was telecast live via satellite throughout all of North America. This year's festivities marked two milestones in gay and lesbian rights with the inclusion of the LAPD recruitment booth and AB 101 as Grand Marshall.

In a first-time-ever allowance, the Los Angeles Police Department participated in the gay pride celebration by sponsoring a recruitment booth. Approximately a dozen openly gay and lesbian officers manned the booth over the two day celebration with the emphasis of educating the public and recruiting for the L.A. police force. Empowering the statement, "One out cop, that's all we wanted," the booth was continually plagued with intrigued spectators full of comments and praise. One uniformed officer at the booth claimed to have had over 100 closeted gay officers approach



Photo by Nathan Shreve

Voicing the claim, "One out cop, that's all we wanted," gay LAPD officers manned the recruitment booth at the Los Angeles Gay Pride Festival in West Hollywood, June 22-23.

him to give support. While manning the booth, Officer Goodman stated that he hoped the LAPD's presence would help to allow oth-

ers to come-out publicly without the fear of losing their jobs. Until just prior to the festival, it was

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by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO — Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates can't quite seem to make up his mind about whether or not to allow uniformed officers to recruit at the West Hollywood Gay and Lesbian Pride Festival, but the San Francisco's new police chief, Willis Casey, is showing - or at least trying to show - what kind of stuff San Francisco's finest are made of and that he's heading a police force that, like the City itself, also now knows how.

made, and that's pretty much all that was behind it."

The intensity of that tension isn't to be underestimated, however. A battle is still swirling between and within the Police Commission, the Office of Citizen Complaints, the Police Officers Association and the SFPD itself over police actions during the Oct. 6, 1989, police sweep of the Castro.

Turning the heat up several notches, this week angry activists were planning on delivering a letter to Chief Casey last night "dis-inviting" him from riding in Sunday's parade.

But for the first time officers -

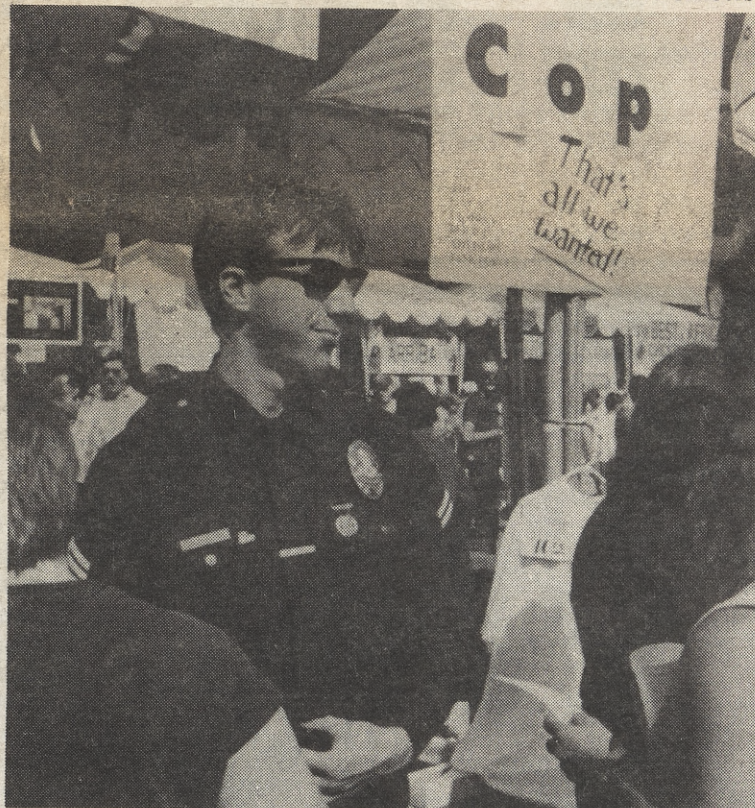


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Gay LAPD officer Goodman takes time to talk with festival goers about the police force and about being "out" on the job.

Chief Casey last week gave an enthusiastic thumbs up not only for the department to have its usual recruiting booth at the Lesbian/Gay Freedom Day Celebration as it has in the past, but also gave the green light for uniformed lesbian and gay cops, for the first time, to be a part of the parade itself.

Not only that, the chief said he'd also join them. It is believed the first time uniformed lesbian and gay officers or the police chief of a major city has participated in any of the lesbian/gay parades that celebrate the Stonewall Inn Riots in New York in 1969 - the beginning of the contemporary gay rights movement in this country.

"I wanted to make a statement as chief of police that the department in no way is at odds with the lesbian and gay community," Casey said. "I felt that a statement had to be

lesbians and gay men who wear the uniform of the SFPD - will be joining Dykes on Bikes, Harvey Milk Club Democrats, High Tech Gays and the myriad other troupes and groups, cliques and claques in adding their police blues to the seemingly endless rainbow flag that proclaims we are everywhere.

One of them, Officer Lea Mitello, said, "It's an opportunity to show that I'm proud to be a lesbian and I'm equally as proud to be a police officer. And it's important for me to let people know that. In this particular parade, I'm extremely proud that the chief of police has allowed us to do this and that he himself is going to be in the parade. I feel a tremendous amount of pride around that."▼

Lambda Community Center's future uncertain



Photo by Mike Cook

by Nathan Shreve
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

A common statement being made in many gay and lesbian arenas around Sacramento is that the Lambda Community Center is closing. Facing financial difficulties, the Lambda Center has been forced to begin a massive reorganization of its current structure, including the lay off of Donna Yutzy, Executive Director. Sharon McDonell, Lambda Center Board of Directors member and spokesperson, firmly expressed this past week that "the doors will not be closing." She commented, "It's true that we are financially in debt, and to stop running at a deficit, we had to temporarily downsize. It's only temporary, and it should be for no more than six months."

In an interview with Yutzy, she voiced, "When we (the Board of Directors and the Executive Director) took a look at all of the options to keep the doors open and the operations in tact, the downsizing was the only feasible option."

According to Yutzy, McDonell See Lambda on page 3

Facing financial insolvency, the Lambda Center's future is currently debatable.

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Presbyterian Church

Dear Editor:

When the Presbyterian Church denied validation of homosexuality, it sent a clear message of the nature of Christianity. Atheism is the alternative I chose, due to the differences between reality and religion. I can not support Christianity, because even saying I'm a Christian would give power to an institution marked by prejudice, bigotry, hate, and exploitation. Christianity has chosen its enemies, and I've chosen my friends.

Mike Dewey

Whose responsible?

Dear Editor:

RE: Letter writers W. Thoms Weaver and Ms. Jones (June 15).

Despite the opinions of Weaver and Jones, the fact still remains that the gay community is largely responsible for homophobia.

My first question has to be, do you vote? Have you ever served in the military? Has Weaver or Jones ever sent time at the State capitol talking to their elected officials about AB 101? Do they even know who their elected officials are?

I find it ironic that those who yell the loudest, usually are the ones who do the least.

If you are content the way things are and your performance in attempting to better the community, how come I never see you at City Council meetings or State Assembly and Senate coverings.

Unlike Weaver and Jones, I plan to put my money where my mouth is by running for City Council; for I see the only real avenue to change, is through positive action through participating in the elections process. Can Weaver or Jones say the same? I really doubt it, because their actions cannot and will not go beyond a typewriter or a bar and secondly they don't have the guts to live what they preach.

If you believe my thinking about the gay community is irrational I suggest taking a hard look at the progress of the so-called gay movement and ask yourself, "What am I doing to better the gay community?" If you're just writing letters, consider yourself inactive. If you are thinking of running for

public office, consider yourself inactive. If you are thinking of running for public office, consider yourself a real participant in issues that really matter.

STOP TALKING AND DO SOMETHING!

Scott R. Hadley

Hope House needs money

Dear Editor:

Hope House has added five beds. We have entered into an agreement with U.C. Davis Medical Center and Sacramento AIDS Foundation to convert our entire first floor to Hospice with 24 hour care as needed. This will enable our residents to remain at Hope House as long as necessary. With the added residents, we anticipate an increase in utility costs, cleaning costs and so many other household needs. We receive no federal, state or county funding.

I am writing to you at this time because currently our monthly donations are very low. While some have continued faithfully giving to Hope House, the money is being spent on a regular basis. In order to keep up this important project, we need your financial help.

If you feel that what we are doing is important, I would ask for your gift to be sent to Hope House. I know there are many calls upon you for your donations, and you alone must decide which are worthy of your interest. I hope that you will earnestly consider Hope House.

Rev. Ed Sherriff
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Sacramento Union boycott

When letter writer Allen Turner pointed out that a thousand fundamentalist right-wingers cancelled their subscriptions to the Sacramento Union after the Union ran a story about a gay couple (Boyce and Larry) on Valentine's Day, this brought to mind another fact.

This not only proves that bigotry is a bankrupt policy, it also proves that bigotry is completely counter to a more civilized, democratic and fair world, bigotry is completely illogical, immoral and irrational, and bigotry is just plain stupid!

What's really frightening is the fact that too many people in

management, from small business, to the courts, to the presidency, are just as idiotic as the Union management. This is why the U.S. is rapidly falling behind other countries economically and in its treatment of people. To management, America's poor and working class people have just become dispensable statistics. Too many people have completely forgotten the Golden Rule of a civilized world, to simply treat your fellow human beings with the same dignity and respect that you would want to be treated.

John D. Helm

Update on IMA

Dear Editor:

On behalf of The Institute for the Musical Arts (IMA), I would like to thank Joyce Beaz and MGW for the excellent interview article on our school (2/15/91), it generated a great deal of interest in our programs and is a wonderful addition to grant proposal packets. I would also like to take this opportunity to update readers on IMA developments.

In May, IMA received a grant from the San Francisco Foundation which enabled us to hire a part-time Director of Development and we have begun raising money to support The IMA Cultural Center/Studio Retreat which we are moving into next month. The Center/Retreat is located in Bodega, CA in the gallery space of a beautiful old creamery which was converted into an artist's colony in 1970. We will immediately open up our 16-track studio for use at a nominal fee and begin a year-long workshop and performance series in the fall. These two events mark a turning point in the school's development and we are prepared for IMA to take a quantum leap forward in meeting its objectives of supporting women pursuing careers in music and music-related business. On July 13, June and Jean Millington will be doing a benefit concert/dance for IMA at Joseph's Town and Country, so come out and support a great project and catch some fabulous music!

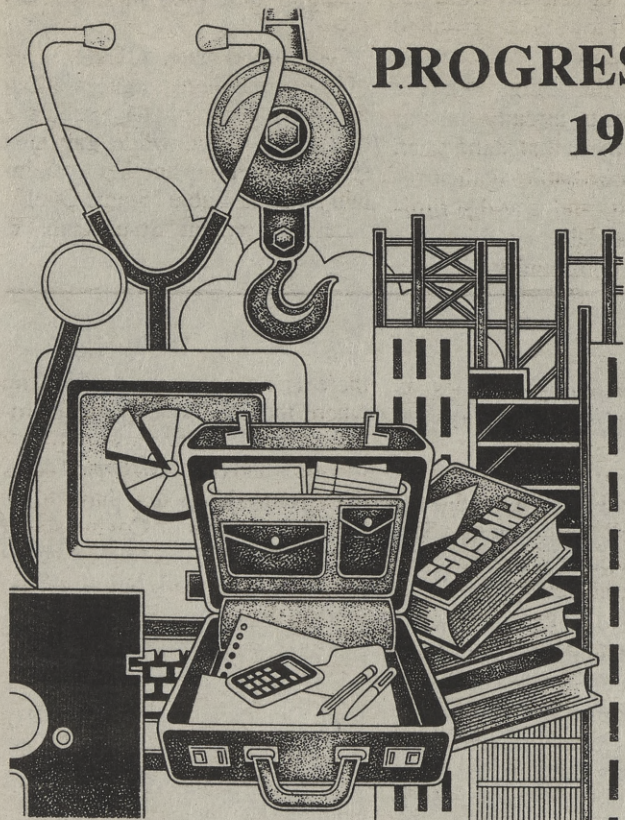
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Scout President: "We don't hire homosexuals"

by M.R. Richards
OF MGW STAFF

SACRAMENTO — Maria Thomas, the Director of Agency Relations for United Way of the Sacramento Area confirmed last week that United Way, like most non-profit agencies has policies in place guaranteeing affirmative action and non-discrimination. However, United Way of Sacramento gives \$419,609 annually to the Golden Empire Council of the Boy Scouts of America, an agency which keeps a national Ineligible Volunteer File on homosexuals, grouping them with child molesters, and which will not hire gays or lesbians, use them as volunteers or have them as members.

Thomas was asked if her agency gives money to any gay or lesbian organizations in Sacramento. "An organization has to apply to us for money," Thomas said, "we don't seek them out." However, shortly after the interview with B.A.R., Thomas called Donna Yutzy, Executive Director of Sacramento's Gay and Lesbian Lambda Center to ask why the Center had not applied

to United Way for grants and attempted to arrange a meeting. Yutzy said she would probably meet with United Way representatives but that she had heard from other agencies which receive United Way grants that the terms, especially to small agencies are "so onerous that it almost isn't worth it."

Thomas then called Boy Scout Executive Director, Robert Mazzuca and informed him that inquiries were being made by B.A.R. When this reporter attempted to call Thomas' supervisor to determine whether it was in her job description to warn the Boy Scouts about a telephone inquiry Thomas refused

to put the supervisor on the line. "It is our policy that as a courtesy we call member agencies and tell them if we receive a call from a reporter," Thomas said. A check with United Way in the Bay Area indicates that, indeed, it is not a policy of United Way to inform member agencies about inquiries.

Of Boy Scout policy not to hire or have volunteers or members who are gay or lesbian, Mazzuca said, "Locally we have no control, but I agree with the national policy. We

have to determine leadership and membership standards. The homosexual lifestyle is not consistent with the role models that we desire to attempt to provide for young people." Mazzuca said that the Ineligible Volunteer File (IVF) is kept at the national level and that any information about an ineligible person is "shared with the national organization and every volunteer is checked through national."

Mazzuca said that although gays and lesbians are on the same list as child molesters "this is in no way connected with pedophilia. Boy Scouts of America is not alleging that." Mazzuca said the policy applies in employment as well as volunteers because all employees are registered leaders in Boys Scouts of America.

According to United Way's Thomas, in order to see if their non-discrimination policies would affect the grants to the Golden Empire Council of the Boy Scouts, local gays and lesbians "would have to go to the Board of Directors and see what they decide."

Some familiar names of a few volunteer Directors on the United Way Board include P. Cecie Fontanoza, of the Department of Rehabilitation; Dr. Donald R. Gerth, President of California State University, Sacramento; Wayne Harbort, Sacramento Central Labor Council; Dr. Isabel Hernandez-Serna, California State University, Sacramento; Chancellor Theodore L. Hullar, UC Davis; Daniel Kennedy, Publisher, The Business Journal; Bill Meehan, Sacramento - Sierra Central Trades Council; Kim Mueller, Sacramento City Council; Roy Perez, Office of Senator David Roberti; John R. Poland, IBM; Dr. Nona G. Sall, San Juan Unified School District; Sandra R. Smoley, Sacramento County Supervisor; and Frank Whittaker, Sacramento Bee.▼

Change of action!

by Ken Thompson
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My original aim was to trace the cause of racism, sexism, age-related discrimination, and other minority concerns within the gay/lesbian/bi-sexual communities. However, as I began my research into these subjects (via articles/ads in national gay publications, representing sections of the east coast, southern, mid-west, and west coast states) I found a surprisingly unexpected pattern had developed.

After reading numerous articles and personals it became apparent that of 20 personals appearing in the "men seeking men" categories 17 to 18 made reference to GWM seeks GWM (or same, etc.), while less than two to three out of 20 merely stated GM (or GWM seeks GM, etc.).

In the same publication, 20 "women seeking women" ads ran virtually "no" GWF seeking GWF. Most women were looking for GF, and no age or race limits were imposed in over 95 percent of the ads or articles surveyed.

Male ads repeatedly referred to limits on acceptable age, race, weight, appearance (straight acting, etc.) and Blacks and bi-sexuals were frequently added to the lists of "vices" such as smoking and drug use! Almost all male ads surveyed required a photo as a requirement for response.

Female ad limitations were usually of a personal nature, but were not exclusionary. "None" gave limits as to the age group who may write back, and "none" limited or excluded bi-sexuals from responding, and few, if any, required a photo for reply!

With all the things working against women already in our society, it is them that stand as an example of our battle against racism, sexism, and age-discrimination, especially within the homosexual community.

It is the lesbian community that shows, by "example" not "words," that the homosexual communities can all actually exist without racial, sexual, or age barriers. If women can stand together and be counted as a powerful, viable group, actively united against the homosexual's worst enemy, division, then there is hope for us all as a community to destroy, or put behind us all of the "in-bred" hatred "trained" into us by the straight community from birth.

In this country most of the sexism, racism and age barriers are in place to control or manipulated through fear or embarrassment, and as gays and lesbians we should already know how potent a system it really is.

It has taken the gay community hundreds of years to put a lot of these social controls behind them, and provide proof that together they can be a strong and viable community.

As a group, the entire gay community must follow the lead being shown by our lesbian sisters and put other "in-bred" controls behind us.

While the gay male community is busy "locating" and "admitting" that problems exist within its ranks, the lesbian community is actively dealing with "solving" these problems and becoming further tied into a cause; one which it seems the gay community has since lost sight of!

The men in the gay community need to stop "looking," instead, they should put their energies into changing their own internal disarray.

There are as many different types of lesbians as there are gay men, but the women have put the hatred and division on hold while gay men steadily fight one another to maintain an undesirable "Status Quo!"

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Lambda from page 1

and Marghe Covino (Board Member), many of the financial problems stem from the actual structure of the center, employment positions and the funding sources. Prior to Yutzy's position at Lambda, Tim Warford headed the center as program director, but only in his latter days at the center did he assume the actual position of Executive Director. In Warford's passing, the position opened and Yutzy was hired to act as Executive Director, but the duties associated with the position had been restructured, and the position could no longer be paid out of AIDS grant money. Yutzy stated, "The board knew something had to be done several months ago about my position and several others in the center. Only about 15% of my duties are AIDS related, so I can't morally or legally be paid my entire salary out of AIDS funds. The rest of the money has to come from other sources, such as fundraising."

Covino and Yutzy both agree that many of the problems arose because of the lack of funds from sources external to the grant monies. However, there is no consensus on where to lay the blame for

the lack of incoming revenues, as each person at the center lays the blame on someone else.

According to McDonell, the restructuring will begin immediately and will detail the following: The Executive Director's position will be alleviated; however, Yutzy will be employed as an individual contractor 24 hours per month to administer over the current grants. Ron Ronsenblatt's position as center manager is also being eliminated due to lack of external funding. The center will begin a massive fundraising campaign and expand their 1200 club to increase the needed revenues for expenses out of the general fund. Paul Martinez (Lambda Board Member) and Yutzy both acknowledged that several Board of Director Members recently had to donate \$100 each to the general fund just to cover outstanding checks.

The status of several of the center's programs are still uncertain, as there is no money to continue with them at this time. The Lambda Players, the Lavender Angels and Cafe Lambda may all have to become self supporting entities in the restructuring process. Currently,

there is no cohesive decision on where these or several other programs stand, but because of liability issues and costs, McDonell notes that "some things may have to be tabled for a while." Covino stated that the board is meeting on a continual basis to work out all of the needed details; as McDonell did, Covino also stressed that "the Lambda Center will not close its doors or stop operating."

Covino added that the board is looking at new and more effective ways to raise funds. She also commented that they didn't want to have fundraisers like the *Irma Vep* incident with Sacramento Theatre Company that ended up costing Lambda money. Covino also noted that all of the board members, herself, Mary Smith, Sharon McDonell, Paul Martinez, Leonard Harris, Sharon Colwell, Jake Steuble, Gary Ryan, Jerry Sloan and Rob Thorbin will take a more active role in operations until the Lambda Center is more financially stable.

For information on donating to the Lambda Community Center, contact them at 1931 L Street, Sacramento 95814 or at (916) 442-0185.▼

Lesbian lawyer goes on trial

by M.R. Richards
OF MGW STAFF

SACRAMENTO — Bay Area feminist and activist attorney Alison Gude, 29, went on trial Monday, June 17 in Department G of Sacramento's Municipal Court. She is facing assault and battery charges brought against her by Sacramento Union editor Joseph Farah.

Gude is an abortion rights activist and a clinic escort with the Bay Area Coalition for Our Reproductive Rights (BACORR) and the corresponding group in the Sacramento area, SACORR. Gude was serving as a clinic escort at the Pregnancy Consultation Center at 616 Alhambra in Sacramento on August 18, 1990 when, she contends, she was grabbed by Farah, demanded that he release her and when he refused to do so, she "defended herself."

Gude, who is a key witness in another trial against Operation Rescue abortion protestors, alleges that Farah is trying to discredit her as a witness in that hearing by having her convicted of the misdemeanor assault and battery charge. "That must be at least one of the reasons," Gude said, "or else why would he have waited over a month before he even bothered to file charges against me with the police?"

According to police reports Farah did grab Gude but states that Gude and other pro-choice clinic escorts were "sexually molesting" a female anti-abortion protester.

Gude, who graduated from John F. Kennedy School of Law in Walnut Creek recently received word she had passed the bar and is actively participating in her own defense with attorneys Diane Bullock of San Francisco and Dan Barton of Palo Alto.

Reportedly earlier in the week, the D.A.'s office offered to drop the assault charges if Gude would plead guilty to battery. Her attorneys refused. Farah was not in court on Monday morning when, in Presiding Judge Gail O'Hanesian's chambers, Deputy District Attorney Kathy Kohlman said she would allow Gude

to plead to an infraction of disturbing the peace. Despite the fact that continuing with the trial would place her at risk of having a criminal misdemeanor on her record, in a hallway conference with Barton, Gude said, "Absolutely not, I won't plead to an infraction - I haven't done anything wrong and I'm not going to plead to something I didn't do!"

While Kohlman had no comment about the case attorneys Bullock and Barton were voluble. "This is a case about self-defense — about whether women who are affected have the right to safe, legal abortions, about whether women have the right to defend themselves," Bullock said.

"Police reports indicate Alison was grabbed by Farah — there's no question about that. The question is how much must someone endure before they strike back? He waited four and a half weeks to make that report — they waited to see the videotape and then decided to make the attempt to discredit Alison in her role as witness in another case," Barton said.

"This is all part of a well-orchestrated plan — they're attempting to legitimize their hate-mongering and that anti-gay, anti-feminist propaganda (Sacramento Union) paper Farah puts out," Bullock said. "He went out there dressed like a thug, with no press credentials showing — he didn't even have a pad and pencil and is now asking for a newspaper's privilege. It's just publicity for the Union and his other paper (Between The Lines) which is a hybrid from the John Birch Society and is focused on gays, feminists and abortion as issues. "This whole prosecution is a farce and is outrageous," Bullock said. "They don't make the kinds of offers they made when they think they've got a case."

The trial is being heard this week in Department G, the court of Judge Thomas M. Cecil.

Editor's note: After this article was written, Ms. Gude was acquitted on June 26. ▼

Berkeley council endorses AB101; to lobby for rights bill

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

BERKELEY — The Berkeley City Council formally endorsed AB101, the statewide lesbian/gay rights bill Tuesday, June 11, and put the weight of the city's lobbyist in Sacramento behind the proposed legislation.

Introduced by Council Member Ann Chandler and Mayor Loni Hancock, the resolution, which passed unanimously, puts the city squarely in support of the proposed Assembly law and adds the lobbying resources of the city's Sacramento lobbyist, Lynn Suter, in helping get the bill passed the Legislature.

The Council also approved a letter to be sent to every member of the Assembly by Mayor Hancock calling on them to support the proposed rights bill.

"We believe it is a fundamental issue of fairness that a person's private life not be used as the basis

for employment and housing decisions," the letter states. "Gay and lesbian people daily are forced to make the choice between living openly and proudly, and keeping their jobs, their homes, their children, and, as hate crimes skyrocket, their lives."

Vicky Kolakowski, president of the East Bay Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club, spoke at the Tuesday night Council meeting in support of the endorsement and lobbying resolution.

"It's important that a city like Berkeley took the step in support of AB101," Kolakowski said. "If a progressive city like Berkeley wouldn't support it, what city in the state would?"

The San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a resolution, introduced by Supe. Carole Migden, on March 6 endorsing AB101. The City's Sacramento lobbyist has also been directed to support the legislation. ▼

San Francisco municipal partners health benefits gets low turn out

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN FRANCISCO — In spite of the controversy surrounding the May 6 approval of a domestic partner health insurance plan for City workers approved by the Board of Supervisors in early May, only 117 City employees had enrolled in the program as of June 13, one day before the open enrollment period closes for this year.

The new health insurance benefit allows City workers to enroll their domestic partners and dependents under the same health policies that now are available to spouses and dependents of married employees. Opponents of the plan had vigor-

ously fought having the City adopt the proposal, claiming it would bankrupt the municipal workers' health insurance plan with between \$1.2 million and \$2.3 million in added costs because of the large numbers of unmarried partners expected to enroll.

A mayoral task force had surveyed City workers in 1989 and estimated that 2,100 domestic partners would elect to be covered under the City's health policies - about 1,000 heterosexuals, 500 lesbians and 500 gay men.

Even though some 46,000 municipal employees and retired workers might be eligible for the health insurance benefit, in fact only 47 gay men, 23 lesbians and 47 unmarried

opposite-sex couples had enrolled as of June 13, and no one in the City Employee Benefits Office expected a major change in those figures.

Each year the three insurance carriers that cover City workers have an open enrollment period of about six weeks during which employees can sign up, and the next open enrollment won't be again until May 1992.

Supe. Roberta Achtenberg, who was a member of the mayor's task force that made the original estimates in 1989, believes part of the reason for the low enrollment figures may be simply not enough awareness of the new benefit among City workers. ▼

Berkeley adopts city-wide domestic partner program

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

BERKELEY, Calif. — The Berkeley City Council unanimously approved a resolution Tuesday, June 18, authorizing the extension of its 1984 city workers' domestic partner program to all residents and individuals who work in the city.

Berkeley made history in December 1984 when it became the first U.S. city to pass legislation that coined the term "domestic partners," allowing municipal workers to file an affidavit with the city's personnel office in order to receive employee benefits comparable to married couples. The new resolu-

tion orders that the same program be extended to all residents of Berkeley as well as anyone employed in the city's public or private sector.

Unlike the municipal workers' program, the newly extended partners program carries no specific legal benefits from the city of Berkeley.

The extension of domestic partnerships to non-city workers and Berkeley residents was recommended by City Council Member Ann Chandler and Mayor Loni Hancock in February and has been in an evaluation process by city manager Michael Brown. Brown studied the mechanics and response

to San Francisco's partners ordinance to determine how Berkeley's city government would likely be impacted by a similar city-wide program.

The resolution does not itself enact legislation but simply extends the municipal workers' partner plan to open registration among the city's general population. But it does provide for the city manager's office to develop and implement a plan for a city-wide domestic partner program to be ready by October 11, which, not coincidentally, is National Coming Out Day. ▼

San Jose bashing suspect held

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Judge Thomas Edwards ordered the 17-year-old, who was captured on videotape brutally assaulting William Kiley in the Willow Glen section of the city where they are neighbors, held by authorities at Juvenile Hall "for the protection" of the community until a jurisdictional hearing can be held to determine the immediate fate of the teenager.

The court hearing, equivalent to an arraignment, was held under

heavy security out of concerns the highly-publicized case might spark protests by angry gays and lesbians. Access by reporters to the hearing were severely restricted and spectators, usually permitted in the routine hearings, were barred.

The youth, who is not being identified by authorities because he is legally a minor even though he will turn 18 on July 7, was videotaped repeatedly punching and kicking Kiley as the gay man watered the front lawn of a rental property he owns next door to the youth's family. Kiley had set up the video in the

window of his own home across the street on the advice of a lawyer in the hope of documenting the verbal harassment that he says has been aimed at him by the family for years.

The judge's order to hold the youth is not based on an evaluation of the truth of the charges - two felony assault charges and a hate-motivated crime - but do acknowledge the seriousness of the charges and indicate the youth may be considered potentially dangerous enough to be held. Authorities said he also faces a previous, unrelated juvenile charge

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Possible repeat of bitter 1989 battle...

TVC turns in petitions to prohibit gay rights legislation in Concord

by Keith Clark
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CONCORD, Calif. — Marching in lock-step with Lou Sheldon's state initiative drive aimed at barring the California Legislature from enacting any law dealing with sexual orientation, the Concord branch of the Traditional Values Coalition Friday, June 21, turned in petitions with some 8,200 signatures to prevent the city government from dealing with issues of sexual orientation without majority approval of the voters of Concord.

The petition, which needs 5,692 valid signatures of Concord voters, would not only remove sexual orientation from the city's recently

passed human rights ordinance, but would amend the municipal code to prevent the city from enacting "any policy, law, ordinance or resolution that directly or indirectly defines sexual orientation, homosexuality, bisexuality, sexual preference, or gay or lesbian conduct as a fundamental human right."

Mark Zapalik and Joanne Rizzuto of the Concord TVC formed the ad hoc group, Concord United for Fair Law, shortly after the City Council enacted the new human rights ordinance earlier this year. Accompanying them in delivering the petition signatures at City Hall were a handful of supporters, including City Council Member Lloyd Mashore, who said he would ask the council

to amend the human rights legislation according to the TVC initiative and avoid a protracted election fight.

In 1989 Mashore successfully led a bitter voter drive to topple an AIDS anti-bias ordinance that also swept him into office, although the legality of his election has been twice rejected in court because he was not a resident of Concord at the time.

The petitions will be turned over to the county this week for verification of the signatures. If the required number are authenticated, the issue would be put before the voters on the November ballot.

Mashore obliquely threatened that if the city didn't want another divi-

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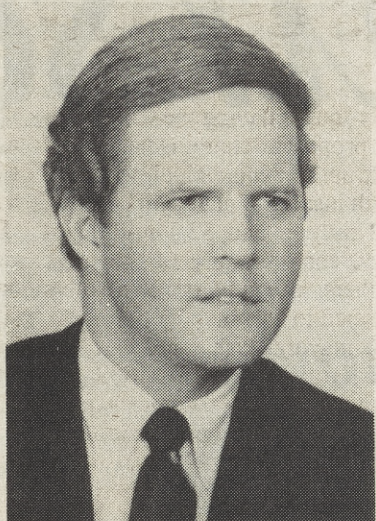
G.O.P. candidate attends CAP/PAC dinner

by M.R. Richards
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SACRAMENTO-- Congressmember Tom Campbell (R-12th District) was the keynote speaker at the politically star-studded gay and lesbian annual California Capital Political Action Committee dinner, (CAPPAC) on Saturday, June 8. The "glitterati" were out in force in formals and tux to enjoy what has come to be the high point on the Sacramento socio-political scene.

The evening's entertainment, directed by Rand Martin, aide to Assemblymember Terry Friedman was a sensational blend of politics and humor bound by the bittersweet sounds of beautiful voices raised in protest of discrimination and self-hatred. It was a special recognition of AB 101 and its meaning to the civil rights of lesbians and gays. In some spots there was, as the saying goes, hardly a dry eye in the house.

There was another poignant moment when special award was presented to Stan Hadden, respected for his effective handling of AIDS legislation, his tireless networking and vast areas of influence. Hadden, obviously still ill after a hospital stay finally waved applauding standees to their seats saying, "This stuff has got to stop..." But both he



Tom Campbell, U.S. Representative as well as candidate for U.S. Senate was the keynote speaker at the CAP/PAC dinner.

and the audience were obviously in the grip of strong emotion.

Campbell, the keynote speaker, had some hard acts to follow. But he was up to the challenge. A candidate for the Senate seat being vacated by Sen. Alan Cranston, Campbell made a stunning impact all sides of the political spectrum.

At 38, Campbell is a tenured professor at Stanford University, an attorney and a recognized expert in international trade. Admitting he is the only Republican in a long line of Democrats and that his father was a "Roosevelt Democrat" Campbell said his major concerns are the economy, the environment and women's issues.

He was uncompromising in his support of AB 101, the gay and

lesbian fair employment and housing bill and said he "supports the comparable federal bill which would add sexual orientation to Title Seven."

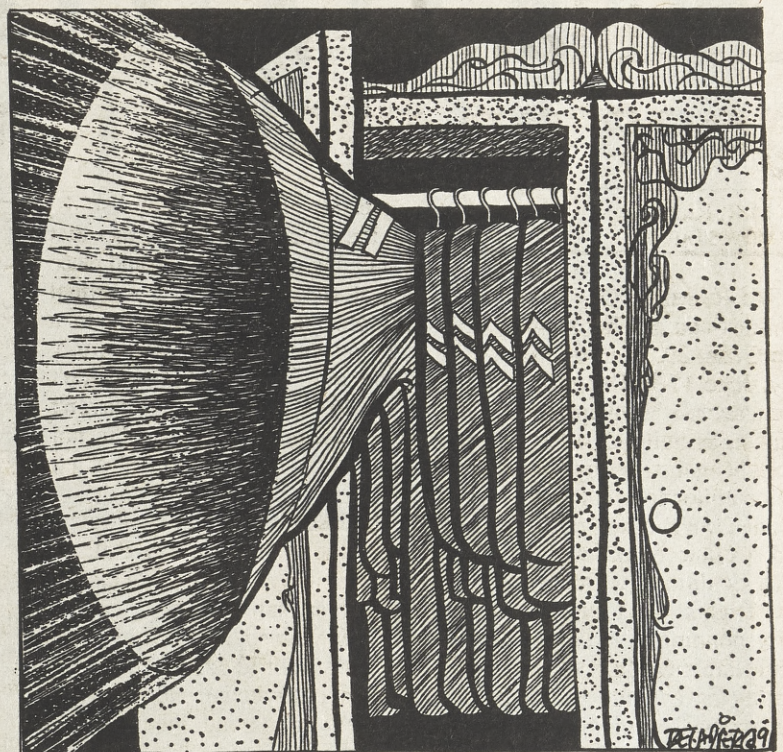
Campbell was greeted and acknowledged by Congressmember Vic Fazio (D-West Sacramento) and introduced by openly gay San Mateo County Supervisor Tom Nolan. Campbell told the crowd of over 500 of his strong support on gay and lesbian issues, of his pro-choice stance and his support of right-to-die issues. He authored a bill which would allow institutions to donate food to the homeless without fear of liability. He supports keeping armories open to shelter the homeless and noted he was the lone Republican to vote for the recent Civil Rights Bill



Photo by Pamela Coffey
Alan Lofaso (LIFE Lobby) and Valerie Tibbett diligently place AB 101 cards in the CAP/PAC program.

which passed the Congress but is facing a Presidential veto.

Campbell quoted Thomas Jefferson saying, "I have set my mind implacably against every form of prejudice and bigotry." Campbell said, "I am proud to be here tonight, I am proud to be your guest speaker and I am proud to stand with you against all forms of prejudice and bigotry." He gave special recogni-



Closets are for clothes, not for cops.

tion to recent Wilson appointee, Marty Keller, "who instructed me on health, AIDS issues and gay and lesbian concerns."

"I look with shame on the practices of our military services toward people who have risked their lives and then are discriminated against. Our military has said, 'We will take your blood. We will take your life. But we won't take you as God made you.' Politicians are trading in bigotry. But every time the issue of orientation has come up in the Congress -- I have been with you." In speaking about discrimination, Campbell said the Civil Rights Bill debate was polarized and unfairly

presented. "Women are not even given the right to sue for harassment -- they are not even given the same rights that were given to blacks in 1897! We have to get beyond words like racism and quotas in this country and do what is simple, fair and right."

Campbell received a standing ovation at the close of his speech when he said, "You've given me a chance to participate in what might be the last, just vindication of American fairness. If you're heterosexual where should you be tonight but right here in Sacramento, California? We are better than bigotry -

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Sheldon files anti-gay initiative

by M.R. Richards
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SACRAMENTO-- On Friday, June 14, a group headed by the Traditional Values Coalition's Lou Sheldon filed an initiative with the Attorney General's office which would amend the Constitution of the State of California. The initiative would nullify all present statutes and ordinances which make homosexuality or bisexuality a civil right or which prevent discriminatory conduct against gays and bisexuals. The constitutional initiative would, in effect, wipe out existing protections for gays and lesbians and prevent any future legislation from being enacted.

The initiative proponents are Louis P. Sheldon, of the Traditional Values Coalition; Larstella D. Parker; Thomas Quong, Jr. a Bay Area Asian minister; Frederick K.C. Price, a Southern California African-American "prosperity" televangelist; and Celia B. Salas.

Some gay activists view this latest move as another Sheldon ploy to raise money and insure the continuance of his lobbying organization. "He's found gays and lesbians a popular horse to kick and he'll try to ride us all the way to glory," said Rev. Jerry Sloan, President of the Lambda Community Center Board of Directors, "and don't sell this effort short -- it's going to cost us dearly to defeat it." Still others believe it is a logical progression of what is described in Sara Diamond's book "Spiritual Warfare," as Reconstructionist Christianity. The theological current of "Reconstructionism" states that because

society at large has tolerated the "perversion" of homosexuality and has even afforded basic civil liberties to gays, society as a whole is to be punished. According to Reconstructionist patriarch, R.J. Rushdoony:

"Wherever a society refuses to exact the required death penalty, their God exacts the death penalty on that society. Every state and every society thus faces a choice: to sentence to death those who deserve to die or to die themselves. Certainly the sin of presumption is total revolution against God and man; all who permit it have chosen death whether they recognize it or not."

Dr. Paul Cameron, a consultant to Rep. William Dannemeyer and described by Diamond as the "most rabid of the anti-gay propagandists," links gays to mass murder and child molestation and is a leading proponent that gays should be quarantined to stop the spread of AIDS. On a radio show while quoting Thomas Jefferson Cameron said, "Homosexuals ought to be castrated and that homosexual females ought to have a one-inch hole drilled through the cartilage of their nose."

"They are gradually acclimating more and more people to the idea that AIDS is 'our' disease and is God's retribution and that it is up to the churches to become the solution and to stop us, to wipe us out, to annihilate us entirely. Ultimately they want to stop non-heterosexual activity entirely. This initiative is only the beginning," said Laurie McBride, Executive Director of the Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE).

The entire initiative reads:

"No statute or ordinance may take effect or remain in effect which either makes homosexuality or bisexuality a civil right or prohibits discriminatory conduct based upon homosexuality or bisexuality unless it is submitted and approved by a two-thirds vote of the electors on the question." Currently the initiative has gone to the Legislative Analyst's office and the Department of Finance which has 25 days to prepare a fiscal analysis. It then goes back to the Attorney General's office which will add the fiscal summary to the initiative title and summary. According to Mary Whitcomb in the Attorney General's office the process takes a 40-day preparation period in all. The initiative will then go to the Secretary of State's office which then issues the initiative and instructs proponents on criteria.

According to Kathy Mitchell, initiative coordinator in the Secretary of State's office the initiative will require 615,958 verified signatures in order for it to appear on the ballot. "That number is reached by calculating eight percent of the votes cast for all candidates for Governor in the last gubernatorial election which precedes the initiative," Mitchell said.

If the initiative qualifies for the ballot, it will most likely be for the November election and will require only a simple majority vote to win. Therefore, according to Mitchell, the initiative could conceivably win by one vote and would be law the next day.▼

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Ten years into the epidemic - where are we going?

by Sonya Cox
OF MGW STAFF

When the AIDS epidemic officially began in June 1981, with the diagnosis in Los Angeles of three gay men with a rare form of pneumonia and 26 men in New York with a rare form of cancer, many people were afraid to touch a person with AIDS because no one knew for certain how it was transmitted. So in the beginning years - while society was ignoring the obvious threat to us all, and in the face of the government's lack of a response to the crisis because, after all, it was only affecting gay people - it was left to the dying themselves to care for one another.

The never-ending process of educating the public has, over time, taught those willing to listen that AIDS isn't passed on through casual contact. But as the crisis continued, most of those willing to listen were only those who had been directly affected by the devastation and loss that comes with AIDS. And these were the people who took over when the original caregivers on the frontlines began to lose their battle with the disease.

The gay and lesbian community pulled together as never before and slowly, one person at a time - as more and more of the straight community began to lose friends and family - an extraordinary, compassionate camaraderie and understanding developed, and continues to grow at its snail's pace, taking us into the future. Gay men are today recognized as the ones who led the fight in the search for wellness. They've changed the ground-rules for people who want to make medical decisions about their own bodies; they've stood up to huge pharmaceutical monopolies and insisted that the government make its rules more compassionate; and they've learned, unfortunately - as the death toll continues to rise - that healing doesn't necessarily mean surviving in the body.

Many people with AIDS, after they've adjusted to their positive HIV diagnosis, have finally found a comforting, spiritual healing of their souls. They're discovering, finally, that they've not done anything wrong just because they're gay. And they've found that this horrible thing called AIDS is providing a forum not only for learning to be happy with who they are, but also for being a part of the greatest outpouring of love and devotion that this world has ever witnessed.

One of the important things this new spiritual healing is bringing with it is forgiveness. People with AIDS and HIV are learning to forgive themselves for not heeding the early warnings, to forgive the one who infected them, to forgive themselves for possibly passing it on to yet another.

Most of those with AIDS or HIV disease simply learned, too late - before anyone knew - the price of what is now called high-risk sex. "We were so young then; if only we'd known," a close friend now in the final stages of this devastating disease once lamented. But who could have known?

Yet, in the midst of it all, a huge energy is arising from the destruction. More and more people diagnosed with the virus are educating themselves about medical, holistic,

and spiritual treatments and taking control of their lives. They're learning how to select from or blend together the resources available to them, and they're staying healthy. Many are insisting on safe sex, because they now know that the only way to stop this disease is to stop giving it to one another.

They're learning it's possible in many cases to shift the odds markedly in their favor by developing a positive attitude and a healthier lifestyle. They're eliminating or are at least becoming aware of habits that destroy their fragile immune systems. They're keeping themselves educated on constantly-changing treatment issues; they're working

shown the way for many, and kept the depression and fear from taking over and stealing away many of the years of their life. The epidemic has also inspired the creation of numerous community-based support groups that care for those with HIV and try to give them the knowledge and friendships they need to stay emotionally, spiritually, and physically healthy. But this disease has also brought with it the charlatans, selling at high prices their pretenses of knowledge and healing abilities, stripping away the remaining resources of a desperate group of people.

And we still have with us, incredibly, physicians and providers

programs for their livelihood, and find themselves trying to subsist for the last years of their lives on \$600 or less each month?

And now the third wave of the epidemic is upon us - sweeping over us after the initial infection among gay men in the early 1980s, and the second wave among addicts and their lovers and their children that began in the mid-80s. This third wave is made up mainly of two groups. The first is men of color, who for years remained relatively untouched by prevention campaigns aimed to a large degree at the white, middle-class population. A recently released study shows that 40 percent of gay Filipinos, 50 percent of Latin men, and 52 percent of black men have had unprotected anal intercourse, compared to 15-20 percent of white gay men in San Francisco.

But even this comparatively low percentage of unsafe behavior among middle-class white men is causing concern. How much of this is because of relapse behavior - men who've been safe for years but slip once in a while, but which slip will be the one that changes your life forever?

The second group in this new wave of the epidemic, to the horror of experts in the field, is young gay and bisexual men, coming of sexual age in the midst of an epidemic they think belongs to another generation.

So back the pendulum swings again, because educators simply can't make people do what's good for them. Because many of these young men feel, as do most youths, immortal and invincible. Because some feel, as do some older gay men, that being safe is not sexy, that being gay and being sexy is really about excitement and risk-taking. And how much riskier can it be than to have sex without a condom? But condoms represent safety, and they take away the danger and risk. And because young run-aways, selling themselves on the threats, are being exploited by adults who actually offer them more money if they have sex without a condom.

And these youths are the hardest group of all to reach, partially because many services are available to them only with a signed parental consent form. A recent study showed that as many as 42 percent of these

Will AIDS ever completely go away? The answer, unfortunately, may be no, even if a vaccine or cure becomes available - because the young people aren't listening to what they don't want to hear; because it's apparently hard for many people to have safe sex every time, year after year after year; and because there may always be a segment of society who won't be able to benefit from a cure or vaccine because they absolutely will not get tested, because knowing will shatter the illusion.

Thus this country surges toward 200,000 cases. And, with the Centers for Disease Control in the process of updating its definition of AIDS to include people with fewer than 200 T-cells but no other symptoms, problems being encountered solely by women, and other broad definitions, we may find there are thousands more cases of full-blown AIDS than the 65,000 current cases now officially reported by CDC. If the projection that this country may now have one million cases of HIV should prove to be a reality, the next decade - as the disease progresses in these people - will deal a crushing blow to this country such as it's never seen before.

So California remains on the threshold of disaster, with 23,000 deaths so far listed as its official toll. Since 1981, Sacramento County has officially listed 435 lost to AIDS. But projections tell us that the coming decade will bring us the loss of far more than another 435 people. It's thought that over 3,000 Sacramentans could die by the turn of the century - within the next nine years.

"Imagine," says Dr. Neil Flynn, who oversees the care of hundreds of people with HIV throughout Sacramento, "a war that came through the city and knocked out one-third of all the young men in Sacramento. It could be like that."

But somehow this killer is bringing with it a new meaning to life for many of those touched by it. They're finding that, after being diagnosed as HIV positive, they've had to take a hard look at who they are, what they stand for as a human being, what they want to accomplish over the coming years, and what's going to happen to their spirit if the disease finally wins the battle. They're discovering that the diagnosis, in addition to the fear and anger, opens up a whole new world of unconditional love and compassion. They no longer put off giving a hug or saying "I love you." And many are finding that the years after diagnosis are the most productive, creative, romantic, and exciting of their lives.

The significant others in the lives of people with AIDS - be they partners, co-workers, or friends - have changed the meaning of the words "community" and "family." Many gays and lesbians have blood relations who don't accept them or their lifestyle. But they have found in their friends a depth of affection and attachment many had once thought to be lost to them. Strangers are becoming the new caretakers and family. And these new loved ones too are finding a deeper meaning to life and afterlife as they've walked step by step with friend after friend along their journey.

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HIV resources

MCC People Together, Tues., 7:30-9, Metropolitan Community Church social hall, support for people with HIV as well as other diseases, call 454-4762;

Women with HIV support group, Tues., 6:30-8pm, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, 1900 K Street, with Donna Robertson;

Mother's Support for moms of people who've died or who have AIDS, Tues., 1:30, 2nd floor, AIDS Foundation, with Frances Wright;

HIV-Positive support group for men (with facilitator), 1st & 3rd Weds., 7:30-9, Sierra II, 2791 24th St. (across Broadway); same group without facilitator, men's informal group, 2nd, 4th & 5th Weds., 7-8:30, at CARES Clinic, 443-3299;

Alternative Treatments Workshop, 2nd Sat., 2pm, Sutter General, 486-2566;

HIV/ARC/AIDS Support, 2nd & 4th Sat., 1pm, Sutter General, 924-15620;

Information on safe sex (Buddy Connection Workshops), call Sacramento AIDS Foundation, M-F, 9-5, 448-2437;

AIDS Response Programs (STOP AIDS, Being Alive, other support and education get-togethers), call Lambda Community Center at 442-0185;

Support for Partners, Family or Friends, Mon., 6-8, 1900 22nd St.;

Anonymous Testing for HIV, Capitol Health Center, Wed. & Thurs., 8-5, call for appt: 366-2922;

Confidential testing and drug treatment, The Effort, call for appt: 446-6467;

Positive Social Support Newsdigest (PSSN): every other month, call Lambda for subscription (442-0185) or pick up a copy at Lambda or local newsstands;

Project Inform hotline (answers to all your questions!): 1-800-334-7422;

HIV+ Latinos support group: every other Mon., 6pm, call AIDS Foundation at 448-2437;

Stop Smoking clinic, Tues., 6:30-8, CARES Clinic, 443-3299.

River City AIDS Center, Community Resource for persons with AIDS, Metropolitan Community Church, 454-4752. ▼

with their physicians and wanting a say in their overall treatment plan.

But how much further ahead are we than 10 years ago? We now have medications that can prevent many of the infections and diseases of AIDS, and we have medications that can bring people out of the hospital after they've become ill. But we now find ourselves on a merry-go-round: We can keep people alive months or years longer, but what this sometimes means is that they may be susceptible to new and unusual diseases for which we haven't yet found a treatment. And we still don't know why this disease can kill some people in one to four years, while others are still free of symptoms after 10 to 12 years.

Positive thinking of course plays a critical role in being healthy, and many of us have seen people go into complete depression and die within weeks or months of their diagnosis. Workshops on positive thinking and feeling good about yourself and learning that it's OK to be gay have


of AIDS information who tell a person with AIDS they probably have six months to live. Few can accurately predict the course of this disease, and telling this to people not only takes away their hope, but encourages them to spend as fast as possible the money they've saved over their lifetime. To what extent does misinformation of this type, from individuals and books and friends and charlatans, contribute to the fact that nearly one-third of all people with AIDS eventually have to turn to government support

young gay men engage in unprotected anal intercourse - youths who apparently never got, or never heeded, the educational messages of the past several years that - not only are they not invulnerable - they are in fact now the new high risk group. And in Sacramento, there is a critically short supply of programs aimed at gay teens and children because there's an abundance of religious institutions and adults who feel Sacramento's children don't need "this kind" of information.

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by Denise Okamoto
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An openly lesbian woman, Barbara Carl, was ordained as an Episcopal priest in Washington. Carl has lived openly in an anti-mate, monogamous, and committed relationship with another woman for the past several years. She has persistently displayed qualities of high morality, spirituality, and intellect, and a strong commitment to Christ. The ordaining bishop believed that her sexuality could not, by itself, be used to prevent her from being ordained.

- Sacramento Bee ▼

Nashville Real Estate Agent geared condo development towards gays

A condominium complex in Nashville is gearing its property towards gays/lesbians. Real estate agent Lurton Lipscomb Jr. is running ads in the city's gay newspaper, offering 60 to 100 condos, one-and-two bedroom units, for \$35,000 to \$41,000.

Since the law prohibits housing discrimination, heterosexuals will not be turned away if they wish to apply to live in the complex. ▼

Horror fantasy set in AIDS-era San Francisco

A supernatural force stalks San Francisco in the pages of the novel by Jay Laws, winner of the first novel competition sponsored by Alyson a press/publishing company) and A Different Light Bookstore. STEAM, a gay horror novel that metaphors the AIDS epidemic in San Francisco, will be released June 19, 1991. ▼

AIDS Project Los Angeles awarded \$646,800 in damages

\$646,800 was awarded to the AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA) when an insurance broker, Bayly, Martin & Fay, refused to honor a policy that provides health care coverage for employees that are HIV positive or have AIDS. The insurance broker did not feel they needed to honor the policy because APLA is a non-profit social service group. Whereas APLA's Chief Executive Officer felt it was a victory for people with AIDS, and a move against discrimination against organizations affiliated with AIDS and the people affected by it. ▼

Premiere of Madonna film to benefit AIDS

Madonna's new film "Truth or Dare," premiering on the West Coast, will benefit AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA) and AIDS Action Foundation. Directed by Alek Keshishian, "Truth or Dare," is an intimate portrait of Madonna, filmed during her 1990 Blonde Ambition Tour. AIDS Action Foundation is a non-profit organization devoted solely to developing federal AIDS policies, they are best known for the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resource Emergency (CARE) Act of 1990. APLA receives 75% of its funding through private donations and 25% from the government. ▼

Gay Games IV announces int'l logo competition

Gay Games IV is having a open competition for a new logo for their 1994 event. The logo must include the words "Unity '94". "Gay Games" may or may not be included. Black and white or color, small or large, can be used in the construction the logo. It should reflect the theme of Unity, and may include references to gay and lesbian athletes, symbols or the location, New York City.

Deadline is July 4, 1991, with a limit of 5 designs per entrant. For more information please write to Logo Competition, NY in '94, P.O. Box 202, Times Square Station, New York, NY 10035. ▼

Coming Out Day a paid holiday for Van Ness

Van Ness House, the first gay-owned and operated alcohol and drug Recovery House in the United States, will honor National Coming Out Day, October 11, as a paid holiday for its staff members. The Executive Director of the house felt it was the philosophy of recovery, "telling the truth about oneself", which is the fundamental step in the recovery process, whether it be with alcoholism, drug addiction, or internalized homophobia.

Van Ness Recovery House is located at 1919 N. Beachwood Drive, Hollywood, CA 90028/Phone 213-463-4266. ▼

Gay couples need to cover their assets

A national survey of 1,266 gay/lesbian couples show that the majority of couples have not taken any legal precautions for their relationship. Wills, powers of attorney and partnership or domestic agreements are the documents most commonly needed to ensure legal protection. Only 5% of the people polled had executed all three of the legal arrangements. ▼

NGLTF calls for dismissal of L.A. Police Chief Daryl Gates

After "widespread" abuse of gays and lesbians and other minorities, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force has called for the dismissal of L.A. Police Chief Daryl Gates. Research by NGLTF and other organizations found that between six and 30% of the gays/lesbians interviewed have been victimized by police abuse. ▼

Bill in congress could deny funds for colleges that kick ROTC off campus

A Bill that could withhold federal funds from colleges that ban Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) from their campuses, has been introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives. ROTC has been protested against by gay and lesbians because of the military's anti-gay policy. The legislation, H.R. 1651, was sponsored by Rep. Gerald B. Solomon (R-Glen Falls, NY). Petitions calling on President Bush to issue an order rescinding the policy. Contact Tim Drake at NGLTF, 1734 14th St., NW, Washington, D.C., 20009, 202-332-6483, for petitions. ▼

Liatris/Lavandula

Lesbian and gay horticulturists from across the United States will meet at the Pennsylvania State University in State College, Pennsylvania at 8pm on Monday, July 22. The meeting is co-sponsored by two organizations of lesbian and gay horticulturists, Liatris International and the Lavandula Society, and by lesbian and gay students at Penn State University. The get-together is being held in conjunction with the annual meeting of the American Society for Horticultural Science.

Information: Liatris International, Box 1336, Davis, CA 95617-1336 or Lavandula-Midwest, Box 2641, Station A, Champaign, IL 61825-2641. ▼

Gays/lesbians recognized by auto club

The National Center For Lesbian Rights (NCLR) announced that the California State Automobile Association (CSAA), has adjusted its membership rates to recognize families made up of non-married domestic partners. Responding to the "changing times," CSAA has begun to make their discounted associate memberships available to same-sex couples who live together. To qualify for the discount, couples are required to be jointly registered on their vehicle, but don't have to be insured through CSAA. ▼

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media watch

by Ben Carlson
OF GLAAD/SFBA

Asian-American Magazine

A Magazine, a quarterly magazine for Asian-Americans, kicked off its debut edition with four articles with gay themes. The articles covered a profile on a gay video artist, Richard Fung, a gay visual artist Ken Chu, AIDS in the Asian/Pacific Islander community, and GAPA, the Gay Asian/Pacific Alliance.

Write to Jeff Yang, Editor-in-Chief, A Magazine, Metro East Publications, 146 W. 28th St., New York 10001; (212) 206-7081. ▼

Sacramento Union

In an attempt to appeal to a new right-wing arena, Sacramento Union's editor Joseph Farah is supporting the "Right-To-Life Christian" groups and ideas of Traditional American and Family Values. The term "gays" are no longer in the Union's stylebook, but the words homosexuals and "sodomites" have replaced it. ▼

Arsenio

Arsenio Hall's first openly gay guest appeared on Arsenio's show April 16. Harvey Fierstein, gay actor/writer, criticized comedians

and other entertainers for perpetuating stereotypes of gays/lesbians. The audience "barked" in approval of Fierstein's comments.

Arsenio has had some homophobic things on his show, but send encouraging messages to Arsenio Hall, Paramount Studios, 5555 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90028 or call (213) 956-5000. ▼

San Francisco Examiner

While the San Francisco Examiner included a special section in its paper informing its readers of the nifty fun spots to visit for the summer, they forget to mention the state's second-largest annual parade, the San Francisco Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade and Celebration. The Folsom Street Fair was listed, but no mention of it being a gay/lesbian event appeared.

Write to the San Francisco Examiner, 110 5th St., San Francisco, CA 94103. ▼

KPIX-TV (Channel 5)

On May 16, 1991 GLAAD/SFBA met with KPIX-TV's management in San Francisco. The meeting was called by us in response to their coverage of our protest of the filming of Basic Instinct. KPIX

reported that GLAAD had tried to "shut down" the filming of the film by protest, despite the press release we had sent them informing them that our goal was to bring attention to the homophobia and anti-gay hate the film portrayed. We were pleasantly surprised when KPIX volunteered to air a reaction to the coverage that was in question. We were also told how to reach its editors when late-breaking news involved lesbians and gays. The meeting was productive and positive. GLAAD has discovered that some of the people running the media want to do the right thing, but need a little help to see what that thing is.

Protest defamatory coverage, and notify the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation of the San Francisco Bay Area (GLAAD/SFBA) of all defamations. Contact them at 347 Dolores St., #312, San Francisco, CA 94110, or call (415) 861-4588. ▼

BOYCOTT LIST

These businesses do not support the gay community:

- Burger King
- Carl's Jr.
- Marlboro cigarettes (Phillip Morris)
- Sacramento Union

Clips

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Religious convention

The Episcopal Church, USA (ECUSA) will hold its 70th triennial General Convention in Phoenix, Arizona, July 10-20.

The Episcopal convention follows after the June convention of the Presbyterians, where the paper on human sexuality promised to preheat the debate on resolutions regarding ordination to the priesthood of openly gay and lesbian persons, and the blessing of committed same-sex relationships. The Metropolitan Community Churches, as well as the Religious Writers Association, has scheduled their national conventions at the same time.

For more information: Integrity, Inc., 110 Oxford, Irvine, CA 92715-2665. ▼

Cartoons sought

Venus Press is seeking single-panel cartoons, strips, and cartoon stories for New Dyke, a book anthology of cartoons by, for and about lesbians. Cartoons can be fantasy, soap opera, humor, sci fi, feminist satire/politics, explicit sex, stories about growing up, coming out, romance, aging, etc. Deadline December 1, 1991. Send submissions and SASE to Venus Press, 7100 Blvd. East, Guttenberg, NJ 07093. ▼

Conference on anti-homophobia planned

"Challenging Oppression: Creating Multicultural Communities," focuses on providing "Change Makers" with both theories and models of doing anti-homophobia education.

The conference is organized by the Campaign To End Homophobia, a member-based organization, that has been working since 1986 to provide support networks, resources, philosophies and strategies to end homophobia and heterosexism.

For information: Cooper Thompson, 617-868-8280, 708-524-2305. ▼

Finding resources for gay couples

Gay and lesbian couples looking for a couples support group, legal information, or a way to win domestic partnership benefits might start with a free list of resources available from Partners Newsletter For Gay & Lesbian Couples. The annotated directory, "Resources for Gay & Lesbian Couples," is available in a newly expanded edition.

Send a self-addressed, stamped business-size envelope to: Partners Resources, Box 9685, Seattle, WA 98109. ▼

Campbell endorses AB 101

Republican Congressman Tom Campbell said he was endorsing AB 101, the California legislature bill to outlaw discrimination against gays and lesbians in employment and housing.

"No one should suffer discrimination on the basis of something he or she cannot change -- whether it be race, sex or sexual orientation," Campbell said. "Just as racial or gender discrimination cannot be tolerated, neither should discrimination against gays and lesbians."

Campbell (R-Standford) is also a cosponsor of the Civil Rights Amendments Act, a bill in the U.S. Congress that would outlaw discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation nationwide. ▼

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local notes

UFMCC worldwide conference

A world wide conference of Metropolitan Community Church members will gather in Phoenix, July 14 to July 21 for the 15th General Conference. Speakers from the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Marquette University, and The University of Southern California will be featured. The theme is taken from revelation 3:8, "I Have Opened A Door." Rev. Elder, Dr. Freda Smith, and Rev. Ed Sherriff will conduct the delegation from Sacramento. For more information call 454-4762.▼

Affirmation reactivating

The Affirmation, United Methodist for Lesbian and Gay Concerns Sacramento Chapter, will be

meeting the first Monday of each month to organize a chapter in the Sacramento area. The Affirmation organization is inclusive of the gay/lesbian community serving as a network for Justice-seeking ministries and as personal support for lesbian and gay United Methodist.▼

Sacramentans meet to create drug, alcohol master plan

The Sacramento County Alcoholism and Drug Programs Division is attempting to create a five-year master plan to reduce the abuse of alcohol and mind-altering chemicals. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help organize this program, living or working in Sacramento County, is eligible to participate.

The committees meet every Wednesday from 5:15-7:00 pm at the McClatchy High School Cafeteria.

For more information: David Gray, Project Consultant, EMT Group, Inc., 363-9415.▼

Bill to redefine disability

SACRAMENTO — Currently in its third reading in the Assembly is AB 1286, authored by Assemblymember John Vasconcellos (D-San Jose). The bill replaces the term "physically handicapped" with the term "physical disability."

According to Vasconcellos' staffer, Carol Ann Gonzales the bill will permit physically disabled persons who suffer employment or housing discrimination to bring civil action against those who discriminate against them. "This bill is intended to clarify the status of discrimination," Gonzales said.▼

L.A. Gay Pride from front page



Lobbyists, including Laurie McBride, Alan Lofaso, Donna Yutzy, Keith Johnson, Sue Doerfer and Erick Walker, represented AB 101 - The '91 L.A. Gay Pride Parade Grand Marshall.

Photo by Nathan Shreve

unclear if the officers would be manning the booth in uniform or not as Chief Daryl F. Gates had publicly declared that he was opposed to gay and lesbian members wearing their uniforms at the recruitment booth.

AB 101 was another first ever for the L.A. Pride Parade as it was this year's Grand Marshall. This was the first time a legislative bill, rather than an individual or group, was the Grand Marshall. Riding in a shiny new Red Ford Mustang Convertible, Sacramento's LIFE AIDS Lobbyists, Laurie McBride and Alan Lofaso, Sacramento Lambda Center's Executive Director, Donna Yutzy, and several instrumental AB 101 lobbyists and supporters all received thousands upon thousands of applause from street lined spectators as they lead the parade and represented AB 101.

Yutzy helped to coordinate the AB 101 signature card program at the festival, but she was dismayed at the lack of support by some of the exhibitors. Yutzy proclaimed, "I



Photo by Nathan Shreve

ACT UP-LA, demonstrating the need for more AIDS monies, was one of more than 280 parade entrants.

couldn't believe that some of the booths wouldn't let us place an AB 101 box on their table or even anywhere at their booth. It just didn't make sense that organizations like Being Alive L.A. (one of the largest PWA organizations there is) wouldn't allow us to place the AB 101 cards or the HIV immigration cards at their booths. It's like they are boycotting something that is one of their primary objectives." In spite

of many organization's unresponsiveness, Laurie McBride, LIFE Lobby, Executive Director commented, "I'm optimistic that we will reach our goal of over 100,000 signatures for the weekend."

The 1991 Christopher Street West Parade was videotaped and will be cablecast on Access Sacramento in a four hour special on channel 18 Tuesday, July 2 from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m.▼

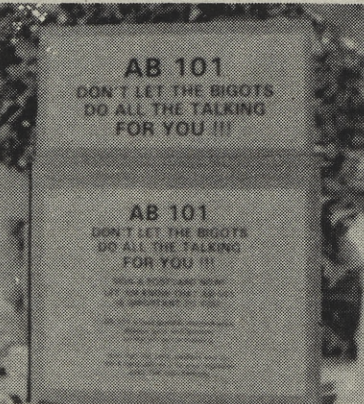
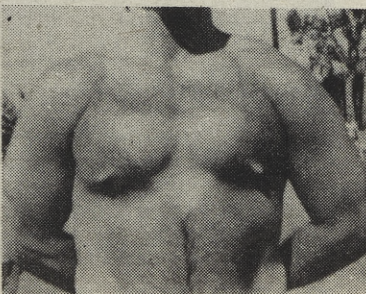


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AB 101 boxes were strategically placed to gather nearly 100,000 signatures of support.



Roger Bishop of L.A. showed his pride by shaving a triangle in his chest hair and then painting the area pink.

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flash

by John Batchelor
OF MGW STAFF

(For phone numbers and details on events mentioned in this column, check the calendar and organization information in the back of the paper.)

The reports are in on the big CAP-PAC annual fundraiser. There's always a lot of hoopla associated with this bipartisan political event. Apparently the food was good and the theater production provided a lighter comedy. The speaker was an enlightened Republican, **Tom Campbell**. Some felt his speech was mainly a campaign pitch however. And the music always seems to put a quick end to the evening. What a shame after such an impressive program. It's important to note that most of the attendees are 35 years and up. Next year be sure and consult with Mr. Flash for recommendations. One group that comes to mind is **City Swing**, a gay and lesbian big band orchestra based in San Francisco. They would jump at the chance to take part in a CAP-PAC program. But overall, Kudos to all involved in this successful evening. ● **Harvey Fierstein**, gay playwright and performer, appeared on the **Arsenio Hall Show**. There was quite a flab by **Queer Nation** and **Act-Up**, accusing Arsenio of being homophobic. Subsequently, Arsenio was interviewed by the *Advocate* magazine. And most recently Fierstein made his appearance. It does show that activism does make a difference. ● There was a low key yet visible protest against ROTC, at **California State University, Sacramento**. (CSUS) Apparently the gay professors in the School of Education wore **pink triangles** at the graduation ceremonies to protest President Gerth's stance on the ROTC (occasionally pronounced rot-see) issue on campus. The response was basically favorable and the triangles were an "education" within themselves. ● There's still time to make plans for the **Hawaii Men's Gathering**, July 22-28. After experiencing the Big Island you will never be the same. Enjoy heavenly seclusion in paradise. Call Richard at 1-800-800-6886 and tell them Mr. Flash sent you. ● An event that's happening right here and not in the bay area is the **Country Western Cruise** aboard the **River City Queen**. Mark July 20 for this fun dance cruise (fantastic hors d'oeuvres included) down the Sacramento River. Call 427-5713 for reservations. ● **AIDSWALK Sacramento** is now history but what an experience for all the walkers. It was amazing and uplifting to see such a diversity of people involved. Praise should also be extended to the local media including Channel 13 and FM 102. ● In other **AIDSWALK** news, the local dance community was repre-

sented by **Diane McLarty** and **Robert Kelley** of the **Sacramento Ballet**. Diane was apparently the educator for the rest of the company — many thanks. ● In yet more **AIDSWALK** news, Mr. Flash ironically won a

manager, Stephen is making a big difference. He will undoubtedly continue his efforts on a larger scale in the city by the bay. Warm hugs and best wishes follow you to your new adventure. ● One proud graduate who is

Fighting for justice



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Sacramento community members, (l to r) Erick Walker, Donna Yutzy, Alan Lofaso, Laurie McBride, Keith Johnson and Sue Duerfer, pose in front of the LIFE AIDS Lobby Booth at the L.A. Gay Pride Festival, June 22-23. They coordinated efforts to publicly inform persons and obtain support for AB101 during the gala. Way to go guys!

subscription to **MGW** newspaper in the post walk drawings. Some Roseville friends are reaping the benefits of that prize! ● **Gordon Schaber**, dean of the **McGeorge School of Law** for 34 years, is stepping down July 1. Dean Schaber is one of the most influential people in Sacramento. He

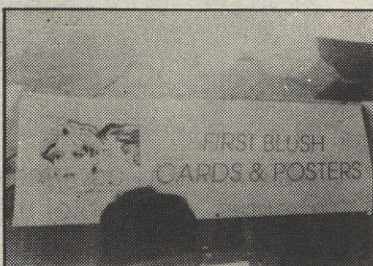


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L.A. style

Sacramentan Joan Greenfield exhibited her new lesbian greeting card line, **First Blush Cards** at the L.A. Gay Pride Festival. Good luck in your new venture.

has also been consistently involved in state and local politics. ● **Bon Voyage** to my best buddy **Stephen Crow**. We've lost a brilliant activist to San Francisco. Never at a loss for energy, Stephen has emersed himself in the community. Whether working for the state, the **Sacramento AIDS Foundation**, the **Positive Social Support Newsdigest** or most recently as the **AIDSWALK**

standing tall is **John Koostra**. Dr. John recently graduated from medical school. With his continued involvement in the community, there is no doubt we will all benefit. Best of luck! ● Talk about Growth — the **River City Democratic Club (RCDC)** has 167 members at present. At the beginning of 1990 RCDC had 84 members. Not bad, keep up the good work. ● You name it and it's happening at Sacramento bars **Art Attack II**, art exhibition, sale and auction (A **Hope House Benefit**) continues through July 21 at the **Town House**. **Joseph's Town and Country (JTC)** hosted **Sacramento Leather Daddy's Boy '91** at a pool party recently. JTC is also the best restaurant bargain in town. Check out their two for one specials on Thursday nights The **Mercantile Saloon** has been the float headquarters. Many Sacramento contingents gearing up for the **San Francisco parade** kept the parking lot and patio areas packed with supplies. At last word (before press time) it looks as though we will have quite a showing in the parade **Our Place** ushers in July with a bang. Check out the 4th of July picnic in their spacious backyard. There will also be a benefit for **Gay Parents Inc.** and the **Ms. Leather Sacramento Travel Fund** on July 13 **The Buff** is also taking advantage of the warm weather. Come and enjoy the outdoors for a

"**Patio Beer Bust and Open Grill**" on Saturday afternoons **Faces** is sizzling on July 4 with a country western tea dance and BBQ in the afternoon. And be sure to say hello to Pete as he keeps an eye on the folks as they come and go The **Wreck Room** holds a steady line with a fun crowd seven days a week. ● Not long ago **Candid Camera** took Sacramento by surprise. One unsuspecting participant was **Glenn Miles**. Glenn was sucked into (whoops I mean talked into) singing "Feelings" to a bird that was supposedly hiding in a storm drain. However this report is all you will get as Glenn refused to sign the release forms. The next time you see him, beg and maybe we'll get to see the spot on TV! ● It's also reported that eight nuns with the **Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence** went shopping on Rodeo Drive during the **LA Gay Pride Weekend**. Cameras went a buzz as the sisters were invited into **Gucci** and **Vidal Sassoon**. You know what they say; "if you don't look good, we don't look good." ● **Karen Chaney** was featured in a special report in the *Business Journal*. In the report she highlights the benefits of chiropractic care. She hopes that it will be included in more health insurance plans. ● The **Lambda Center** and all the volunteers deserve a big thank you for a **super Freedom Fair** at **McKinley Park**. Every year the event gets larger. There's no telling what will happen next year. How about a dance tent! ● Often on the cutting edge, the **Lambda Players** present the controversial

Miller boycott?



Photo by Nathan Shreve

Apparently not anymore. **Miller** was a major sponsor of the **L.A. Gay Pride Festival** and even had this parade entry.

play **Jerker** July 20 to August 11. It's a pleasure to see our community growing in all directions. ● One local business that supports our community is **PESCADOS**. If you ever told Mr. Flash that he would enjoy fish tacos, he would have said you were crazy. But **Pescados** is great and so are the fish tacos. ● **Rick Cicco** has been named general manager of **Caffe Donatello**. Rick was highlighted, picture and all, in the **Sacramento Bee's Business** section. Congratulations. ● For those of you with kids or those that are simply kids at heart, come see **You're a Good Man Charlie Brown** at **Garbeau's Dinner Theater**. This musical plays through July 20. ● **Brian Bell** is becoming the "Socialite

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A look at Art Attack



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Lite Rail Gallery owner Michael Xepoleas mingles with buyers at a pre-auction showing.



Photo by Mike Cook

Art Attack coordinator, Dexter Smith, keeps track of the pieces being sold. Proceeds go to Hope House.

The Art Attack reception was hosted at the TownHouse, 1517 21st St.



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Leather contest

Mr. Sacramento Leather, Randy Gray, with other IML contestants during IML registration in Chicago, May 25.



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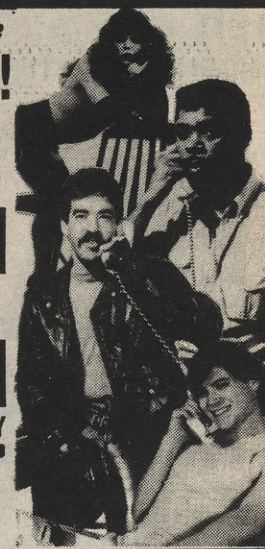
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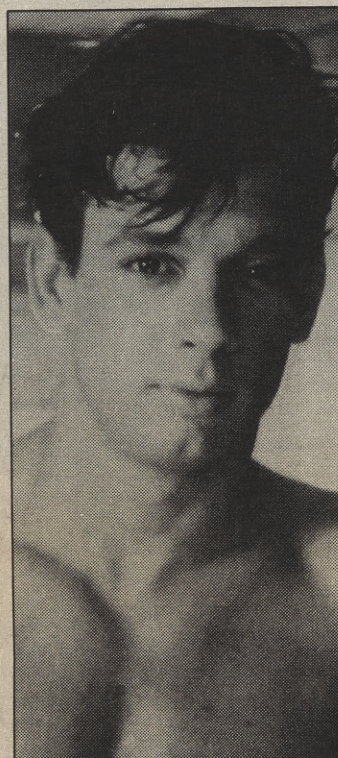


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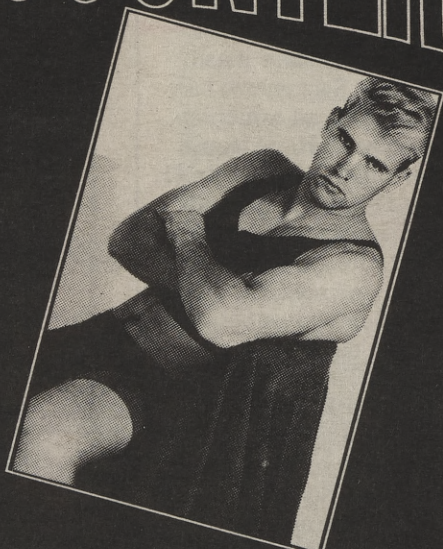
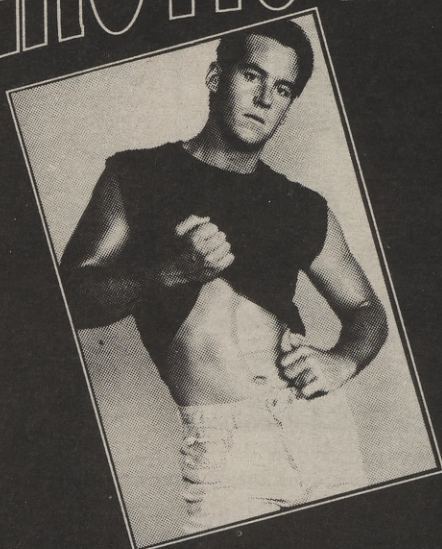
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Supreme" lately. If there is a big to-do anywhere, he will be there in his tuxedo duds. After a recent Sacramento Kings Annual Dinner, he and some other attendees grew restless and headed over to Faces to dance. It was quite an education for many of Brian's friends as I doubt that many of them had ever been to Faces before. Thanks for showing them the pulse of the

Hunks galore



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Over 300,000 people flocked to W. Hollywood for L.A.'s Gay Pride Parade.

city. ● Bruce Gunn made news in his neighborhood not long ago when he rushed outside in his sleeping clothes to help distinguish an early morning fire at a neighbors' house. The rest of us are also wondering who was the younger man who accompanied him to the fire scene? ● The lavender neighborhood association near the UCD Medical Center would like to welcome Launa Cornwell as a new home owner. Launa is an "exec" with the Java City organization. ● The foothills are even getting in on the action. It seems that there is a lesbian and gay group that meets regularly in Placerville. This social organization is called If the Shoe Fits! ● In other foothills news, a friend mentioned that he stopped by a fast food hot dog stand up yonder. Above on the stand's sign, they proclaimed that "8 inches is our average"! ● Until mid-July, stand tall John▼

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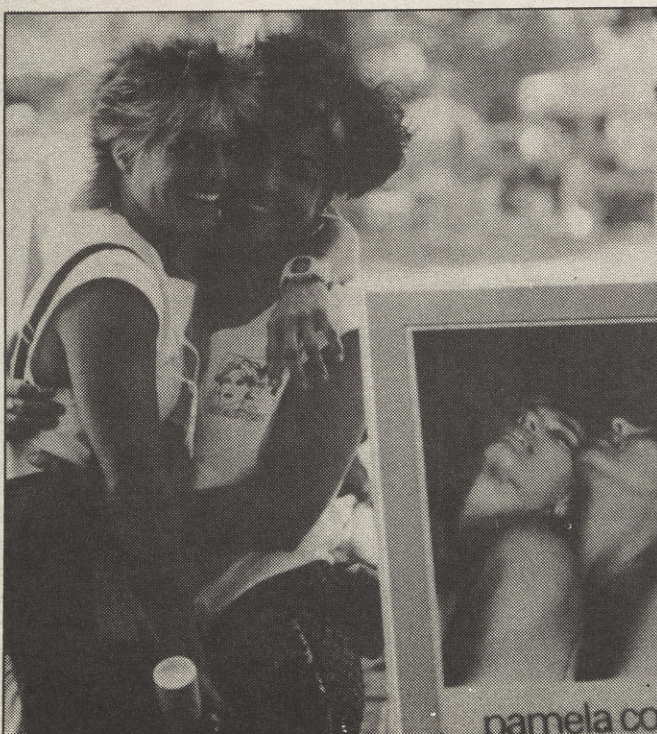
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Gay time had by all at Sacramento's 3rd Lambda Fair

by Nathan Shreve
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Gary Chapman and Ted Pfanner quiz passers-by at the MGW gay trivia booth.



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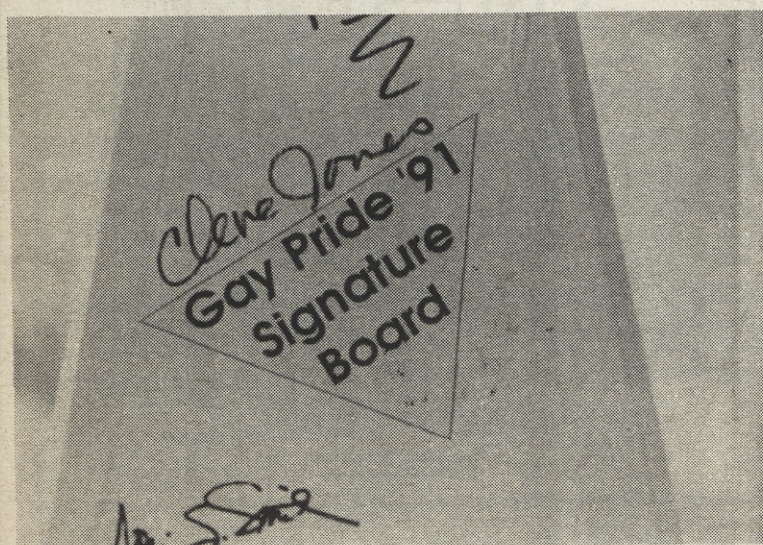
Lou Camera, Tim Warford Award recipient, also helped to emcee the day's events.

"The Fair was a huge success and everyone seemed to have a great time!"



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CAP/PAC was but one of the over 120 booths at this year's Fair.



NAMES Project Quilt Founder and Assemblyman candidate, Cleve Jones, took time to sign the Gay Pride Signature Board at the MGW booth.

Photo by Susie Bulger

"It's like being in a candy store and wanting to try ALL of the candy," stated J.B. of Sacramento as he attended his first Lambda Fair, "I just can't believe all of these gay people in one place. This is a real experience for me." With an estimated 7000 plus visitors and over 120 exhibitors, this year's Lambda Fair has been deemed a huge success.

McKinley Park, this year's fair location, was transformed for one

nity profiles such as Rev. Freda Smith, Kate Moore and Linda Birner took part in taking "the plunge" for charity. Volleyball seemed to attract many participants and spectators as the leather ball volleyed from one side of the net to the other for most of the day. Others, some coming from as far away as Los Angeles for the fair, roamed from booth to booth eating, drinking, spending money and enjoying themselves. Entertainment, guest speak-

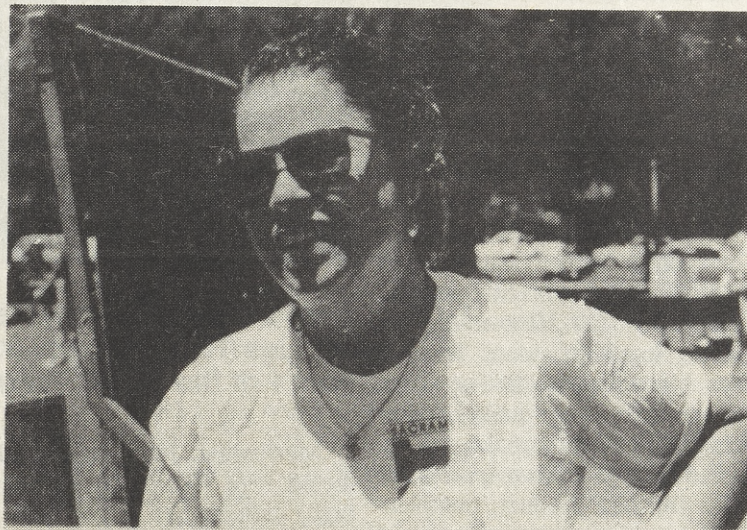


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Linda Birner, MGW Publisher, takes the plunge at the dunking booth to raise money for the Lambda Center.

day into an arena for gays, lesbians, friends and families to celebrate and take pride in themselves. With activities going non-stop from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., there was something for everyone. Ranging from informational booths to dunking booths, smiles and laughter could be seen and heard the whole day through.

To help raise funds for the Lambda Community Center, many commu-

ers and presentations held the main stage for the crux of the gala, with prestige moments such as Lou Camera receiving the Tim Warford award for community service.

All in all, Donna Yutzy, Executive Director, Lambda Community Center, summed it up best when she exclaimed, "The fair was a huge Success and everyone seemed to have a great time!"▼

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A gay fantasia on national themes

by Terry Maloney
OF MGW STAFF

Angels in America, a stunning, unfinished, nearly eight hour play in two parts is currently having its world premier at the Eureka Theatre in San Francisco.

Subtitled "A gay fantasia on national themes," the action follows the conflicts of a gay couple, one of whom is dying of AIDS, and a heterosexual Mormon couple, one of whom is a closet case. The AIDS death of right wing celebrity lawyer Roy Cohn also figures importantly.

If you thought the last thing American theatre needed was another AIDS play you are in for a shock. Playwright Tony Kushner makes no compromises and wastes no time in his two part epic that makes *Les Miserables* look like a New Kids video. There is sex, blood and diarrhea on stage, angels and heaven-quakes, hallucinations and stark realism.

Part one, *Millennium Approaches* is a finished product, complete with innovative staging and rapid set changes. Eight actors play the 19 characters with skill and professionalism uncommon even for a big city like San Francisco.

The story begins with Joe, a naive Mormon yuppie lawyer with sexual identity problems of his own, being sucked (metaphorically) into the world and psychology of Roy Cohn. Cohn, played with ruthless charisma by John Bellucci, stands as an emblem of homophobic hypocrisy in the world of politics.



Harper (Anne Darrah) visits with "her special friend" Mr. Lies (Harry Waters, Jr.) in *Millennium Approaches*, Part 1 of the World Premiere of *Angels in America*.

Meanwhile, Joe's valium-addicted wife Harper (Anne Darrah) hallucinates herself into a dream scene that is, economically, the hallucination of another major character, Prior (Stephen Spinella).

Louis (Michael Ornstein), Prior's lover, has abandoned him due to his inability to watch Prior die. Selfish, heartless and lost, Prior encounters another confused soul in Joe, Harper's husband. If this sounds like the makings of farce, perhaps it is. But it is only the tip of the iceberg.

From camp and comical to raw and sexual to polemical and po-

litical this three and half hour installment ends at the beginning. When fear, love, hate and confusion seem to turn the world toward destruction, the Angel makes her magnificently theatrical descent.

Part two, *Perestroika*, continues the action, but is presented in a somewhat different way. As Rabbi Isidor Chemelwitz (on of Kathleen Chalfant's extraordinary personae) tells us in the prologue, only Part One got a grant, so it's no surprise that Part Two was not finished until a few weeks ago. But as staged readings go, *Per-*

estroika exceeds most expectations in terms of line memorization and instinctual, improvised movement. Because they are the same characters from *Millennium Approaches*, much of the impressive work of the actors is already done.

Kushner, whose acclaimed adaptation of Corneille's *The Illusion* has just opened at the Berkeley Repertory Theater (the same script has been optioned for a film production) is certainly a rising star. He makes no excuses for his gayness or his political convictions. In a recent interview with the *San Francisco Chronicle* he said he has never encountered overt homophobia in Hollywood, where a staged reading of "angels" has got a number of producers buzzing.

I have no doubt that *Angels in America* will become the most important gay play since *Torch Song Trilogy*, if not the most important ever. It would be patronizing and untrue to say "It's not just a gay play, because straight people like it too." Such diminutive qualifiers should be reserved for *La Cage aux Folles*, which, pro-gay as it is, presents gays as straight people see them.


"Angels" speaks from within the gay, post-AIDS sensibility and explodes to cover world-wide themes. The fact is that nearly everyone in San Francisco is clamoring to see this play, and if my 'gaydar' serves me correctly, the



Prior (Stephen Spinella) is visited by a supernatural visitor in *Millennium Approaches*, Part 1 of the World Premiere of *Angels in America*.

homo:hetero ratio in the theatre was not much different than it is on the average street.

The sad thing about all this is that *Angels in America* closes July 7. The Eureka theatre is a 2730 16th Street in San Francisco and their box office number is (415) 558-9811. If you can't get a ticket, sneak in, break down the door or bribe someone, but see this play! ▼



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Shakers on Broadway: Good food, nice people

by Nathan Shreve
ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

"We do not have customers at Shakers; we have guests," stated Ron Warren, co-owner of the newly opened and gaily run restaurant and bar. Warren and his business partner, Frank Downing, recently relocated to Sacramento from the San Francisco Bay area to open the restaurant. Warren noted, "We con-

sidered both the Sacramento and Santa Rosa area. We chose Sacramento over Santa Rosa for several reasons, one being all of the trees here. We wanted people to have an alternative to the existing establishments, and we wanted to benefit the gay community and the community as a whole."



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The restaurant, located at 2721 Broadway, features both lunch and dinner menus, a bar and nightly

the year's end.

Warren noted that he and Downing began talking about the restaurant a year ago but didn't begin negotiations until last December. The pair has put a tremendous amount of work into the building, and most of the work has been done by themselves. Warren commented, "Frank is the one that really made it happen. He's done all of the design and most of the renovation. The



Photo by Mike Cook

Ron Warren, Shaker's co-owner, working behind the bar.

entertainment by Michael Del Monte. The restaurant has been completely renovated with a mixture of old-world, Cafe-Americana and European flair. The 200+ pairs of salt and pepper shakers that decorate the walls of the restaurant were part of Warren's mother's collection. This collection along with each place setting having its own set of salt and pepper shakers predates the theme and the characteristic name of the restaurant.

The restaurant opens for lunch with a menu of mostly deli sandwiches, with prices ranging from around \$4.50 to \$7.95 for the filet

project couldn't have happened without him." Warren also noted that they tried to add a lot of extras for the guests and the employees. Such things as added access doors for employees and strategically placed lavatories were all part of the master plan. Even areas like the dish room are painted with burst of color to make the work atmosphere a more pleasant place.

The restaurant currently serves lunch from 10:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. and dinner from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. For reservations, call (916) 457-7888. ▼

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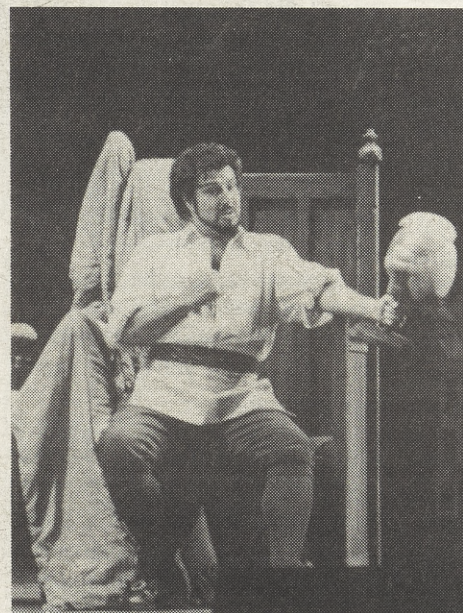
The San Francisco Opera celebrates Mozart

by Wayne R. Anderson
OF MGW STAFF

Two hundred years ago, a 35-year-old Austrian composer, already recognized for his genius, died in Vienna on December 5. The family was, as usual, short of cash, so his widow opted for the cheapest possible burial. Since it was miserably cold rainy day, no one accompanied the body to the cemetery, so his widow never knew his exact place of burial. Of course, we know this is Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, and this year the musical world recognizes (celebrates is perhaps not the right word) the 200th anniversary of his death.

The SFO opened its four-opera contribution to the Mozart and His Time festival with Die Zauberflöte (The Magic Flute). The David Hockney sets are mostly colorfully painted panels placing the opera in Egypt. When I saw them unveiled in 1987, I found them pleasant, occasionally dramatic, but slightly disappointing; I had the same reaction this time.

The finest singing of the evening came from Michael Kraus as Papageno and Ruth Ann Swenson as Pamina. Ms. Swenson has



1991 Mozart Festival: Bass baritone Simone Alaimo sings the title role of Mozart's *Le Nozze di Figaro*.

Photo by Marty Sohl

continued to develop into an artist of the front rank. Her soprano is rich yet she can scale it down to a hushed pianissimo. Ach, ich fühl's was enchantingly sung. Viennese baritone Michael Kraus, new to the U.S. opera stage, was a handsome worldly bird catcher. He never broke character, at times making Tamino seem the simple-minded one as he unquestioningly did everything he was told to do. He has an uncommonly rich voice,

giving full musical value to Papageno's delightful music. The Bei Männern duet with Pamina was more magically sung than I've ever heard it. Handsome tenor Jerry Hadley looked believable as the young prince Tamino. He sang with generous well-supported tone, yet came to grief when he tried to sing softly in Dies Bildnis. (Perhaps he had a cold.) Sally

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Absolutely Positive...

A welcome antidote

reviewed by John Mello
OF MGW STAFF

Absolutely Positive, a film by Peter Adair, Janet Cole and Veronica Selver; 90 minutes.

In this powerful new film, *Absolutely Positive*, (aired on Channel 6) by the director of the landmark '70s documentary, *Word Is Out*, we see the same leisurely, clear-eyed, close-up approach that made the earlier work so unsensationalized, truthful and refreshing in its day. We are shown 11 men and women who represent a cross-section of the HIV/PWA population. They talk about dying and they enlarge our understanding of what living is. They do so in a most unsentimental, and yet deeply moving way. They have their

own naturally lyrical moments, and these come from what is said not what the producer or art director have contrived, while the camera holds absolutely still. What an antidote to the maudlin Barbara Walters-type schlock we get from the major networks.

Many themes were developed and interwoven through the various lives. We see lost illusions, lost ignorance, lost opportunities. We feel their relief in having come forward, their liberation, their freedom to say anything they want. We learn how they dealt with denial and rejection, how they have borne and have survived guilt, how they affirm their right to be left imperfect.

These testimonies ascend to a very lofty plane where lives have been completely changed after

losing lovers and friends to AIDS. They talk about the heart breaking and allowing some kind of freedom, about feeling intense love in the last few days spent with someone dying. They show the amazing strength, generosity and compassion of gay people - who have "learned to eat out of the same bowl with the monster" - and of all people who have been able to defeat the ugliness of the disease by feeling this love.

With all the cruelty in the world today, hopefully the legacy of these people will be to re-humanize a dehumanized, paranoid society. Some critics argue against the redemptive power of art, but we can not help but be emboldened by *Absolutely Positive*. ▼

New on video...

The Last Picture Show

by Matthew Kennedy
OF MGW STAFF

The Last Picture Show, released in 1971, was made by 32-year-old Peter Bogdonovich and starred several actors beginning major careers. During its initial run, critics out-hyperbolized each other with praise. One critic claimed it was the most assured movie by a young novice director since Orson Wells made *Citizen Kane*.

Such enthusiasm can often dim a movie's luster over time, but not so with *The Last Picture Show*. Over the last 20 years, the critics

were proven correct; *The Last Picture Show* remains a remarkably poignant and powerful movie.

The Last Picture Show, shot in gorgeous black and white, is set in a decaying Texas town in 1951. The hypocrisy and sexual tensions would make Peyton Place blush. There's Jacy (Cybill Shepherd) a manipulative, predatory high school senior hell-bent on breaking hearts and losing her virginity, and her adulterous mother (Ellen Burstyn), bored, rich, and ostentatious. Even more bored is Ruth (Cloris Leachman), whose loveless marriage to the high school

coach has her in an emotional coma. She comes to life when the disaffected teenager Sonny (Timothy Bottoms) shows her some affection. Duane (Jeff Bridges) dates Jacy, and is a close friend to Sonny. Hovering around these characters, and owner of the pool hall, diner, and movie house, is Sam (Ben Johnson), a man of principles and private sorrows.

In 1971, the rating system was just three years old (remember the simple G, M, R, and X?), and there was an unprecedented pro-

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A shared experience of dying

by Kate Lang, M.S.
OF MGW STAFF

(as told by Suzan Davis)

Outside the window of my mother's hospital room people were driving to work. The cars whizzed by below us on Sunrise Avenue. The world was going on as usual.

My mother was struggling to say something to me. Her throat was dry and her lips could not form words. She was determined to speak. Suddenly, as if someone else had chosen the words for me, I said, "Mom, don't try to say it, think it. Think it and picture what you want me to know and it will come to me. I just know it." (Where those words came from I'll never know.)

I was weary. The muscles in my shoulders and neck ached horribly. I had been bent over her bed for two weeks. I lay two pillows across my mother's legs and rested my head on them. I laid my arm over hers. The pillow felt cool against my cheek. Time passed.

A tingling sensation moved up my arm and enfolding me. The weight of my shoulders, neck and head was lifted....I became deeply entrenched in tall reeds. I rose up and before me was an expanse of calm fields gently swaying in waves. It seemed as if it was a new dawn. I was taken by the beauty of the waving grasses and suddenly the sounds of birds began to fill my ears. As with the first chirps of an awakening day, the chatter grew louder as the light grew brighter and brighter. The beauty of the scene was astounding, but the most awesome thing of all was the serenity. Never in my life had I felt such PERFECT PEACE and joy. Never.

I became aware that I was floating, because I looked down and

saw the grasses passing beneath me. I was traveling with total ease toward the distant trees. I rose higher and proceeded across the ocean of reeds. As the trees grew nearer I could see their thick lush foliage and branches. The light behind them grew brighter and brighter. Brilliant! I wondered why it didn't seem warm against my skin. I thought it would surely burn me, just as the sun would on a hot day. I looked over at my left arm to see if it was growing red in the intense, and yet at the same time calm, light.

There was no arm! I looked around, there was no me! (How would you like to look and see that you weren't there?) I had no physical form, yet I kept moving towards the light. As I did I passed an array of birds clapping to the thick grasses, swaying gently with them. Everything was so right. So wonderful. So perfect. I didn't mind at all that I had no body. I just knew that I was in the RIGHT PLACE. I also realized that I was not alone.

When we had at last floated over the entire field we were lifted together over the trees. I studied the leaves and branches as they grew closer to me and then farther from me as we sailed above them. They grew smaller and smaller below. "This is fun!" I thought. "I want to go as high as an airplane and see what clouds feel like against my face." My excitement increased with the intensity of a child's delight.

"Let's go higher," I communicated through my thoughts, to my companion. "Let's look at the world from way up high until it is a dot." As we approached a low, sparsely scattered cloud in the increasing brightness she gave me a message. "I must go on now from here. You must go back."

I was so disappointed! I did not want to go back! NO! I wanted more than anything else to continue, but instantaneously with her gentle command, I started to turn around. Suddenly, I was pulled backwards down over the trees, then the field. I passed the birds in the reverse order that I had seen them. It was like seeing a tape of my entire experience being shown in reverse. I was no longer float-

ing but being pulled from the scene towards my starting point. I still didn't want to leave and thought.... I am doing this only because you, Mom, wanted me to, and I usually do as you ask whether I want to or not. For no other person in the world would I leave this place! Then I realized I had no choice. I was being taken from it. The most wondrous place I had ever been. The truest and most complete serenity I had ever felt. Why should I have to leave? Beneath me the first reeds I had come upon were still swaying in the peace.

Slowly, I became aware of the aches and stiffness of my shoulder muscles. I felt as if I would collapse under the overwhelming weight of my own weary body. The pillow was still against my cheek. I didn't move. I lay there enveloped in a rich sense of peace and harmony though my body felt like moaning.

"I'm so sorry." The words cut through the stillness like an explosion even though she spoke softly. I looked up. Before me stood a nurse.

"Your mother is gone...." Suzan's mother died on June 20, 1991.

"Lightly, my darling, lightly, even when it comes to dying. Nothing ponderous or portentous or emphatic. No rhetoric, no tremolos, no self-conscious persona putting on its celebrated imitation of Christ, or Goethe, or Little Nell. And of course, no Theology, no metaphysics. Just the simple fact of dying and the fact of the clear light." --A. Huxley

Dr. Raymond A. Moody, Jr., M.D. writes in his book "The Light Beyond" about people asking him how he can believe that Near-Death Experiences (NDEs) are evidence of life AFTER life, in the absence of firm scientific proof. (NDEers are people who experience some or all of the following events: a sense of being dead, out of body experience, peace and painlessness even during a "painful" experience, entering a dark region or tunnel, rising rapidly into the heavens, encountering a Supreme Being, meeting deceased friends and relatives who are bathed

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State AIDS issues are heading for "The Sticks"

by M.R. Richards
OF MGW STAFF

SACRAMENTO - A bill which has already passed the Senate and will be heard in Assembly Health Committee on July 9 has some AIDS providers very concerned. Senate Bill 1070 authored by Senator Mike Thompson (D-Napa) would require the Department of Health Services to establish consortia in the state for AIDS case management by 1993. While apparently well-intentioned, the bill has created some concern among AIDS providers about lines of authority in consortia. They are concerned about additional powers being given to county health officers rather than to the actual provider agencies.

A spokesperson in Thompson's office said the bill was motivated by concerns in rural counties about coordination of services such as nursing, social services and home-

maker care for HIV and AIDS patients. "In the past three to five years there has been an increase of HIV disease and AIDS in rural counties," said Thompson chief of staff Ed Matovcik, "and we need to provide a responsible level of AIDS services in those rural areas. AIDS doesn't stop at city boundaries and we need to create better conditions in rural areas."

According to one source there is a possibility that some of the bill's wording will be amended to eliminate the terms 'consortia' and 'case management' and will perhaps be limited to rural counties in Northern California. However, the source indicated that any authority engendered by the bill would probably be wielded by county health officials. Representatives of AIDS provider agencies are expected to be in touch with Thompson's office this week to express their concerns and suggest amendments to the bill. ▼

California penal system planning nation's first prison hospices

by Keith Clark
OF MGW STAFF

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. — With a prison population now just over 100,000 of whom an estimated three percent are believed infected with HIV, California's Department of Correction is in the process of not only enlarging housing facilities for prisoners with AIDS but also of creating the country's first prison hospices for people with the disease.

San Quentin, in Marin County just north of San Francisco, the California Medical Facility at Vacaville, and the state's 19 other prison facilities are all in the process of doubling or tripling the number of HIV beds as the numbers of both prisoners and prisoners with AIDS continues to increase steadily. Since June 1988 the number of HIV-infected inmates in California prisons has tripled from 179 case to a current level of about 630 case.

And prison officials say that by 1996 they expect there will be more than 2,000 identified cases at the state facilities.

In addition, the state is now designing a pilot program for either San Quentin or the Medical Facility at Vacaville that would create a prison hospice unit at the facility for prisoners with AIDS and other terminal illnesses. The hospice unit would operate at the lowest level of prison security, would be staffed largely by medical, nursing and hospice care workers, and would give ailing inmates far greater and easier access to visitors and contact with one another outside the strict rules and routines of prison life. San Quentin officials have already spent \$150,000 renovating a special 20-bed unit in preparation for the program.

The medical staff at San Quentin already works closely with local

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Nicholas Dante
Co-Author of "A Chorus Line"
Nicholas Dante, the co-author of the longest-running show in Broadway history, "A Chorus Line", died of AIDS. He died at the age of 49 at the Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center. ▼

Michael D. McDole
Michael D. McDole, died of an AIDS-related illness in a Sacramento hospital; he was 37 year old. For the past 12 years he worked at the McGeorge School of Law in the bookstore as an associate manager. He was a long time volunteer for the Sacramento AIDS Foundation and the UC Davis Medical Center's AIDS clinic. At his request, no services will be held for him. ▼

John L. Wright
John L. Wright died in Sacramento June 1, 1991. Services were held on June 11, 1991 at the Buddhist Church of Stockton. Arrangements by Sunset Lawn Chapel of the Chimes. ▼

Larry Kert
Veteran Broadway actor
Larry Kert, who starred as Tony in the Broadway hit "West Side Story", has died of AIDS at the age of 60. Mr. Kert appeared in many other musicals including, "A Family Affair", "La Strada", "A Musical Jubilee", and "Rags", his last Broadway appearance in 1986. He was nominated for a Tony Award for his performance in "Company". ▼

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Getting free: The healing crisis

by Sandra Warne, M.A.
OF MGW STAFF

Many people in recovery fail to establish abstinence and return to full-blown use within the first 30 days. That's because there are some common stumbling blocks at this early stage, which if you're not prepared for them, can lead you to become discouraged and give up. If you know to expect them, however, you can take appropriate action to protect your abstinence and recovery.

Withdrawal

Some people experience after-effects (physical and emotional withdrawal) when they stop using. These include insomnia, irritability, mood swings, emotional overactivity (or its reverse, numbness), low energy, short attention span, an inability to experience pleasure, lack of sexual desire, and extreme sensitivity to stress. This syndrome can also include mild, temporary impairments in mental functioning, such as memory lapses, clouded thinking, and difficulty concentrating.

These syndromes can occur when you quit any addiction, not just chemical addictions. Overeaters, sex addicts, gamblers, spenders all have aftereffects of quitting to one degree or another.

Now, most addicts are going to jump to the conclusion, (black and white thinking) that this is the way they are doomed to feel forever - all the time, for an eternity. This, of course, makes relapse more palatable. The fact is, that these symptoms usually occur within a few days of stopping the mood changer and disappear within two weeks.

Physical exercise and proper nutrition appear to reduce withdrawal symptoms. There is evidence that a daily regimen of vitamins (B complex and C in particular) with certain amino acids facilitates the replacement of dopamine and other neurotransmitters that

are depleted by certain chemical addictions.

The Pink Cloud

Some people experience a real exhilarating start in recovery - which we affectionately refer to as "The Pink Cloud." Some people with lower bottoms are as grateful not to be throwing up or waking up in strange beds that they feel they are walking on air. All senses come alive.

There's nothing wrong with enjoying that, if it happens to you. But remember, "This too shall pass." Strive for a balanced perspective. Without it you'll be setting yourself up for a fall, and it's a long way down from a cloud.

Whether or not you experience a pink cloud at some point, or become overwhelmed by troubling or uncomfortable feelings, remember, these are the feelings you have been trying to avoid through your addiction. New feelings might be fear, anxiety, self-hate, anger, depression or inadequacy. If you are not prepared for this "Healing Crisis" or don't get help dealing with it, you might conclude erroneously that recovery isn't working for you.

Now that you don't have your image to focus on, you become acutely aware of your "self" and sometimes its painful, like having no skin. But you will grow new skin in time and you must trust that this will happen.

In the middle of this healing crisis you may get some very strong cravings to use. The unconscious mind exerts a powerful pull back to addictions; because going through the transition period is uncomfortable.

Now, you're really feeling the pain of believing you are not enough but you're not medicating that pain away. It's important to go through these feelings in order to learn to cope with some of them without resorting to your mood-changers.

Try to stay focused on the fact

that going through this unsettling period is part of the process of being liberated. Following any drastic change, there is a period of unrest before things settle down and become more stable.

Cravings

Cravings can and do occur during recovery. They are a natural result of addiction and usually continue long after use has stopped. You are not responsible for the fact that you have cravings, but you are responsible for how you respond to them. Cravings are always temporary. They will pass on their own if you order them out. They tend to reach their peak intensity within an hour of onset. They do not have to lead to use. Willpower is a poor defense against cravings. It's best to remove yourself from the circumstances eliciting the cravings and get in touch with your support network.

Relapse triggers can remain strong even after years of abstinence, so remain alert to them and don't become overconfident.

Tensions at home

Becoming abstinent does not necessarily clear up the family conflicts that have built up over the years.

Affected family members may have plenty of leftover anger, shame, guilt and other feelings which don't magically go away because you've stopped using.

Family members that have picked up the slack for you over the years may even resent your suddenly wanting to be responsible again, thinking, "Where were you when we needed you?"

If you go to a lot of meetings, as you should in the beginning of recovery, your family may resent the fact that you are never home. If any family member served an enabling role in your addiction, he or she may unconsciously resent your recovery. That's because your getting better eliminates his or her role as "rescuer" or "manager" putting that person in touch with feelings that were avoided by focusing on you.

So healing presents a change in the whole family equilibrium and

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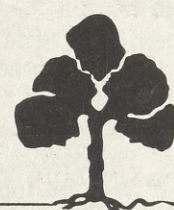
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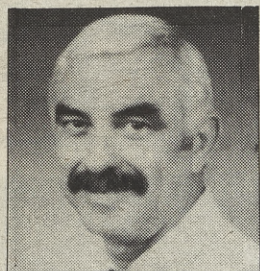
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Mozart

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Wolf's Queen of the Night sounded scream on some top notes, but pleased the audience. Kevin Langan's Sarastro was a disappointment. His bass has grown grainy and weak on top. Even though he managed the infamous low notes, he never produced a noble commanding sound. Steven Cole had a sympathetic side to his Monastatos, Laura Claycomb made a pert Papagena, and Thomas Stewart used what voice he has left for the Speaker. The animals, as usual, delighted the audience.

Gerard Schwarz conducted unevenly. Fast passages went well enough, but the slow parts sometimes dragged excessively.

Le nozze di Figaro (The Marriage of Figaro) was a first rate performance in just about every way. High honors go to conductor Wolfgang Rennert who coordinated everything from the pit, bringing out all the wit and pathos in this immortal score. Wolfgang Brendel's Count Almaviva was a nobleman made to look foolish by his own hypocrisy and jealousy, rather than just a buffoon, and his rich baritone was ideal for the part. Renée Fleming's Countess was a tragic heroine much of the time. Her rich creamy voice filled out the flowing lines, yet she also

reduced it to a thread of sound, as in the marvelously introspective reprise of Dove Sono. Simone Alaimo's Figaro was perplexed much of the time, as he should be. His somewhat nasal-sounding voice contrasted well with the smooth sound of the count. Frederica von Stade was a perfect Cherubino, horny, awkward, yet with a poetic interior. She used her ravishing mezzosoprano to build growing intensity in her two arias. Cheryl Parrish was a good Susanna, but her small soprano did not have the bell-like sound that would have been ideal. Her acting was fine. The rest of the cast, Paolo Montarsolo (Bartolo), Judith Christin (Marcellina), Michael Sénéchal (Basilio), Archie Drake (Antonio), Mary Mills (a rich-voiced Barbarina), and Craig Estep (Don Curzio) all made major contributions to this excellent well-balanced performance. Sensibly cutting Marcellina's and Basilio's arias kept the fourth act from dragging.

The music and characters in this performance were just as real and alive as they must have been in 1786 Vienna at the first performance. Walking out of the opera house, it was obvious why we were honoring this composer, 200 years after his early death.▼

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liferation of profanity, violence, and nudity in major movies such as *Midnight Cowboy*, *Women in Love*, *A Clockwork Orange*, and *Straw Dogs*. *The Last Picture Show* is full of sex, but don't rent the video expecting genuine passion and sensuality. This is sex from raw frustration, boredom, and spite. There is not one fully satisfying tryst in the entire movie; couplings are furtive, dirty, and humiliating. There are moments of humor, but the oppression of a small town, where there is no such thing as privacy, looms constantly in the action. The idealization of small town life and neighborly values in such early 1960s movies as *To Kill A Mockingbird* and *The Music Man* was getting the sour treatment by 1968 with *Rachel, Rachel* and *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* and rural disenchantment possibly reached its apex in American movies with *The Last Picture Show*.

The screenplay is by Bogdonovich and Larry McMurtry, the master of plot and character, whose novels (*Hud*, *Lonesome Dove*, and *Terms of Endearment*) translate onto film and video exceedingly well. (One exception was *Texasville*, the poorly-received 1990 movie sequel to *The Last Picture Show*.)

The actors of *The Last Picture Show* give uniformly brilliant performances. Leachman and Johnson won well-deserved Oscars, but everyone works at the same high level. This was Shepherd's first movie, and she does just fine as a girl who is all pretense. Bridges and Burstyn won critics awards and Oscar nominations. Bogdonovich's reputation was made, and nothing he has done since approaches the artistry found in this masterpiece of sadness and regret.▼

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AIDS agencies, which provide counseling and other assistance to prisoners with the disease. Workers from the agencies also often provide many inmates with the only regular non-prison contacts they have.

"Prisons have always been looked at in a negative way," said George Mosqueda, director of San Quentin's HIV ward. "This is a great chance for us to network with the community and bring greater outside contacts inside."

Criticism by conservatives that the planned program would "coddle" inmates is flatly dismissed by state prison officials. Dr. Nadim Khoury, chief medical officer for the Department of Corrections, said, "Nonsense. People who are facing a terminal illness like AIDS or cancer can hardly be 'coddled.' It is in fact debatable whether we can even provide the kind of care most people would consider minimal for human dignity."▼

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- we can overcome. I pray that God Bless America for its diversity."

Dyed-in-the-wool Democrats were using words for Campbell like "Kennedy charisma," and "a Republican with a social conscience." Strategists were planning to help him in the primary. It was rumored that right wing "B-1 Bob" Dornan was planning to enter the senatorial race which would have drawn ultra-conservative votes away from candidate Bruce Herschensohn. However, Dornan decided not to run which leaves Campbell a more difficult primary fight.

The evening ended with partygoers dancing to a great mixture of oldies, R&B, C&W and Texas-Two-Step. It was obvious that most of the dancers had been around the dance floor a year or two or 20 with their respective partners making it a fun spectacle for both dancers and observers and all were reluctant to see the close of this year's CAPPAC gala.▼

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most likely will force a role examination and quite possible an identity crisis that can be addressed in other self-help groups.

But don't make your recovery contingent on others, when it really has to do with you. You're the one who will benefit from recovery, and you will be hurt by relapse. Ultimately, it's not what others think but your own attitudes that will make or break your

recovery and this is what you should focus on.

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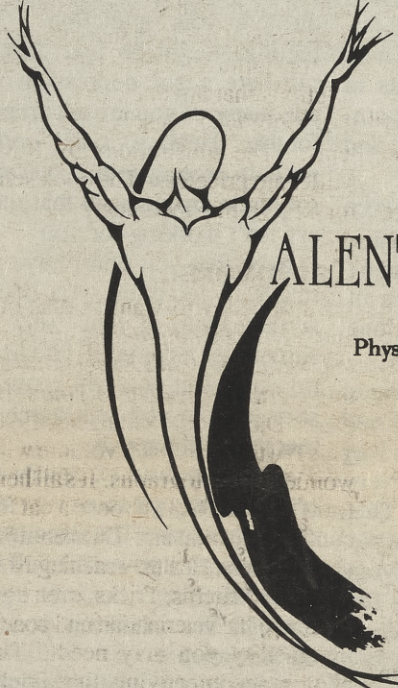
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Books: Dogs and cats

by Joan B. Guertin
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Since the weather has been cooler than usual for this time of year, it seems like a good time to check out some books that have been sitting in my library waiting to be reviewed.

The first one is perfect for those dog lovers who are bored with the activities they currently share with their dogs or for those who would like to investigate some really fun times with our best friend. *201 Ways to Enjoy Your Dog: A Complete Guide to Organized, U.S. and Canadian Activities for Dog Lovers* by Ellie Milon, Alpine 1990; 290 pages, paperback, lives up to its title. Included between the covers is information ranging from the responsibilities of ownership, benefits and considerations. The author includes chapters on choosing a dog for Sports, Care and Conditioning of the Active Dog, Getting Involved in Kennel Clubs and the various clubs available from local to national. There are thorough descriptions of Dog Shows and Obedience Trials, Field Events including Trailing, Retriever, Spaniel and Terrier trials and Lure Coursing for the Sighthounds.

Other competitive events that are covered are Sled Dog Events, Herding trials and tests, and Schutzhund round out the activities that are limited to purebred dogs. For both registered and non-registered dogs there is a chapter covering the sport with Frisbees, Flyball competition, Dog Agility and fun runs.

For the novice who may be thinking of participating in an event, this book explains the requirements and serious insights into what to expect from an involvement. Since I have recently become involved in training and trialing a herding dog, I found the information valuable in clearing up some points that I had found confusing related to scoring and also, levels of competition.

One unique chapter, Sled Dog Events, even lists "Tips for Spectators." The appendix alone is worth

the \$18.95 price of the book. The author lists the names and addresses of resources for more information on any sport that the reader finds interesting and wants to know more about.

Behavior in dogs and cats...

Another Alpine book, *Better Behavior in Dogs & Cats* is an owner's guide by William E. Campbell which should be on every pet owner's library shelf. Campbell is a behaviorist who has been helping animal owners for more than 20 years and his 1975 *Behavior Problems in Dogs* is a classic in its field. Campbell's advice is sound, humane and makes the reader aware that behavior modification must take place in the owner as well as the problem pet. He sums up the source of most dog and cat problems well ... People. Most humans expect all change to take place with the animal when in reality, we design an environment for them that sets them up for failure. Campbell offers solutions that anyone can follow if they truly wish to solve the problems. The illustrations by R.M. Miller are priceless. The book sells for \$11.98 in paperback.

Cat lovers...

Cat lovers will want to rush out and buy *The Companion Cat, How to Live Up to a Cat's Expectations - and Get It to Live Up to Yours*, by Ernest Dickinson, Denlinger's, 1990. This is a thin hardback volume with wonderful photographs. It's all here from the reasons to choose a cat for companionship, and Cat-proofing your quarters, Health, Teaching New Behavior Patterns, Tricks, even how to choose the veterinarian and boarding facility you may need. The photos accompanying the Tricks section made me envious. I know dogs who don't perform them as well. This could easily be called the premier man and cat bonding book.

A word of warning: hoofs for dogs...

That wonderful cow hoof that your dog loves may cause some real problems. According to Dan Lawer, DVM, he has personally removed large pieces of undigested hooves surgically. The problem lies with the dog that tends to swallow things. I took hooves away from my dogs a long time ago when I realized that they would gnaw on them and that the edges were extremely sharp. Should a dog swallow sharp-edged pieces, serious damage can be done to the intestines. If your dog has been given a hoof to chew on and later stops eating, has vomiting and diarrhea, loses weight and becomes lethargic, depressed and dehydrated, it is a good indication that a hoof piece may be lodged in an intestine. If you take a dog to the vet, always include information regarding the chew toys that you give him ... it may prove to be the clue that allows the vet to diagnose the problem quickly. The Hoof is interesting to the dog, but could prove deadly!

Have a safe 4th...

Statistically, more dogs are lost over the 4th of July than on any other single holiday. The reasons are obvious ... the noise of fireworks can often terrify the family pet. My suggestion is to make sure that dogs and cats are kept inside and secure during this period. Even a securely locked gate may not be sufficient to keep a panicked dog inside. Be on the safe side ... Kennel or crate your dogs inside and keep a radio on to help muffle the sound of explosives. This way you will know where your dog is on the 5th of July!

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TVC Initiative

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sive election fight, "then now is the time to make peace."

He told reporters, "I want to make it clear that the council is responsible if we go through another 4-to-5 month fight that leads to the ballot." The fundamentalist minister also said he wanted the city's Chamber of Commerce, which had supported the new human rights legislation, to change its position. The initiative petition, quoted the 1986 Bowers v Hardwick Supreme Court decision of former Chief Justice Warren Burger, that, "To hold that the act of homosexual sodomy is somehow protected as a fundamental right would be to cast aside millennia of moral teaching."

Zapalik also said it was inappropriate to consider gays and lesbians a minority group because that "has historically meant a group of people that have suffered economic discrimination." Zapalik said that's not true in the case of gays and lesbians. "The gay community

boasts in its own publications that they have twice the disposable income of the straight community," he said. Rob Birle, the out-going co-chair of the Contra Costa Alliance for Gay and Lesbian Organizations (AGLO), said he thought the battle over the city rights ordinance was "going to be nasty" but called Zapalik's statements about minority groups being defined on the basis of income "nonsensical." "They [the TVC] have a completely warped concept of American traditional values," Birle said. "Clearly the TVC is going to be attacking the Human Rights Ordinance on the terms of the sexual orientation inclusion. It's going to be a little bit different than the last battle because in the last battle they tried to cover their homophobia. Now we're seeing with some clarity what their agenda really is, and that's to insure that they can continue to discriminate against gays, lesbians and bisexual."▼

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Epidemic

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But the next decade must bring with it a marked shift in the way AIDS care and prevention is handled. The growing amount of work to be done by city, county, private and volunteer services, whose devotion has been the model for the past decade, is already taking its toll on these caregivers, no matter how filled with love they may be. It's well past time for this country's health care system and government to recognize that this disease may be with us for decades to come, and that mainstream medicine and health care are going to have to integrate HIV treatment and prevention into their regular work. Few AIDS-knowledgeable physicians are now able to take on new patients. Where are those hundreds and thousands who will soon find they have HIV disease go? There must be a system in place to allow these people to remain well as long as they can.

The past decade has shown us that our cities and legislators must take action in the coming years, but it has also brought us hope. It's brought us many medications and treatments that are keeping people with AIDS and HIV disease well longer. And this is the key. If we can add more and more years between diagnosis and the onset of an illness, if enough AIDS-knowledgeable physicians become available to treat people with the virus, we will be moving forward to a future of promise.

New treatments and combinations are continually coming our way, and they're working on many people

and bringing with them continued and realistic hope.

This past decade has also taught us to love ourselves and to love one another. The caring, sharing, and courage that's brought thousands of people together over the past 10 years is now taking us through the 1990s, and will surely be remembered as unprecedented. It gives new recognition to the human spirit borne from the ashes of over 110,000 Americans who died before their time.

But those who've been touched by this epidemic must deal with the reality that Americans still think of AIDS as a gay disease, or a drug addict's disease. This labeling and this bigotry has much to do with the lack of support and compassion for PWAs. It has incited hate and violence and fear, and kept out of our grasp the funding to provide outlandishly overpriced medications and care to those among us struggling with this disease. But if there's one thing we've learned for certain, it's that by holding tight together, no pen, or sword or law can extinguish the flame that now burns bright for all Americans to see. And that, as we continue to listen year after year to the noble sentiments of legislators who cloak their bigotry with law, we shall maintain the strength to tear off their cloak of hypocrisy and hatred, and move forward in this war - losing many battles, winning many battles, and know that something good happened here in the midst of all this horror. ▼

Bashings

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but would not reveal the details of that case.

Kiley, who has described the youth as a "skinhead" whose family are involved in a local anti-gay fundamentalist church in the area, also has said he wants to see the youth go to jail for his crimes. Kiley's received a broken nose, two black eyes, bruises to his head and body during the assault, and remains in a neck-brace as a result of the videotaped attack that showed on television stations and grabbed headlines across the country. ▼

Afterlife

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in light, reviewing one's life, and feeling reluctance to return to the world of the living.) Dr. Moody cites several reasons that make him feel so strongly that there is "Life After Life" (also a title of one of his books.) "What greater proof is needed that persons survive the death of their physical bodies than many examples of individuals leaving their bodies and witnessing attempts to save it?" He goes on to say... "After twenty-two years of looking at the near-death experience, I think there isn't enough scientific proof to show conclusively that there is life after death. But that means scientific proof. Matters of the heart are different. They are open to judgments that don't require a strictly scientific view of the world. But with researchers like myself, they do call for educated analysis.

Based on such examination, I am convinced that NDEers do get a glimpse of the beyond, a brief passage into a whole other reality. The psychotherapist C.G. Jung summed up my feeling on life after life in a letter he wrote in 1944. This letter is especially significant since Jung himself had an NDE during a heart attack just a few months before he wrote it:

What happens after death is so unspeakably glorious that our imaginations and our feelings do not suffice to form even an approximate conception of it...

Sooner or later, the dead all become what we also are. But in this reality, we know little or nothing about that mode of being. And what shall we still know of this earth after death? The dissolution of our timebound form in eternity brings no loss of meaning. Rather, does the little finger know itself a member of the hand.

Suzan did not have her own near death experience. But I cannot imagine her sharing the death experience of a beloved with more unspeakably glorious love and perfect peace.

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JULY

Monday 1

Lecture: "Have You Lived Before?" Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm, \$15, reservations recommended; 456-5685, 489-7503.

Affirmation, United Methodists for Lesbian and Gay Concerns, 7pm, St. Mark's United Methodist Church Social Hall, 2391 St. Mark's Way; 489-2340.

Women's Rap: "Open Rap," Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

Tuesday 2

Talk: Amity Buxton, author of "The Other Side of the Closet: The Coming-Out Crisis for Straight Spouses." A Different Light, 489 Castro St., S.F. 415-431-0891; 7:30pm.

Heart to Heart Rap Group, "Sex Taboos: What's it all about?" SAF, 1900 K St., #200; 6:30pm; 448-2437.

1991 Friends Committee on Legislature Annual Dinner, guest: Laura Magnani, former FCL Lobbyist, 1st United Methodist Church, 21st & J; 6pm. RSVP 443-3734.

5th Annual All Capitol Independence Day Picnic, East Capitol Lawn, 5pm.

Male Strippers, Joseph's Town & Country, 2062 Auburn Blvd., 9pm; 649-9248.

New Beginnings Land Trust, Resources for Independent Living, 1211 H St., #B, 6pm; Info: 441-0749.

"Heart-to-Heart," 6:30pm, SAF, 1900 K St., #200; Joe 448-2437.

Wednesday 3

"Freedom from Stress," Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm, freewill donation; reservations 456-5685, 489-7503.

Old Sacramento 3rd of July Celebration: Parade: 7pm; Ceremony: 8pm; Sac. Yacht Club Parade of Lights: 9:30pm; Fireworks: 9:45pm; free; 443-7815, 443-8653.

Thursday 4

Pool & Filet Mignon BBQ, Joseph's Town & Country, 2062 Auburn Blvd., \$5, 5pm-7; 649-9248.

California Symphony "An American Celebration," with fireworks, Concord Pavilion, 8pm; 923-BASS.

Friday 5

Two Nice Girls, 7:30 & 10pm, Palms Public Playhouse, 726 Drummond, Davis; 756-9901 and BASS.

Sunday 7

Martha Reeves, concert on the green, Old Sacramento, 4pm, free.

James Breedon, A Different Light, 489 Castro St., S.F., 415-0891; 7:30pm.

FIM Group, J.A.G., Box 1895, Sac. 95866.

Gay Softball League Tournament, Merc vs. TownHouse, 12noon; Wreck Room vs. Faces, 2pm; 21st & C St.

Monday 8

Sacramento Gay & Lesbian Town Council, 7:30pm, RLDS Church, 2331 K St.

Lecture: "Dreams," Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm, \$15; reservations 456-5685, 489-7503.

Laura Nyro, Palms Public Playhouse, 726 Drummond, Davis, 7 & 9pm; 756-9901 and BASS.

Women's Rap: "Potluck Salad Fest," bring a dish to share, Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

Common Sense Dog Training, Beg. & Puppies, 6:30pm, Adv. & Intermediate, 7:30pm; Elk Grove, 485-2201

Tuesday 9

Heart to Heart Rap Group: "Fantasy Forum I: Images, Sensations, Stories," 6:30pm, SAF, 1900 K St., #200; Joe 448-2437.

Wednesday 10

Workshop: "How to End a Relationship and Feel Good About It," Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 7pm; freewill donation, reservations 456-5685, 489-7503.

Friday 12

4th Annual PAARC Variety Show: Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities, 4 & 8pm; 456-1898 for info.

Business Volunteers in the Arts, reception for Introductions 1991 artists, Channel 6, KVIE, Sculpture Garden, 2595 Capitol Oaks Dr., 5:30-8:30pm.

Saturday 13

4th Annual PAARC Variety Show: Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities, 4 & 8pm; 456-1898 for info.

"Banker's Talk," Special programs bankers can offer to small businesses, Sac. Women's Center & Profitability Services, 8am-12:30pm; 441-4207, 489-8836.

June & Jean Millington, Central Studio Retreat Fundraiser, Joseph's Town & Country, 2062 Auburn., \$6-\$12 donation; 649-9248.

Sunday 14

Psychic Faire, Church of Enthusiasm & Joy, 2755 Cottage Way, #11, 12noon-5pm, free; 456-5685, 489-7503.

4th Annual PAARC Variety Show: Performing Artists for AIDS-Related Charities, 4 & 8pm; 456-1898 for info.

Reception for artist Jeanne Clark, A Different Light, 489 Castro St., S.F. 415-431-0891; 5:30pm.

Aurora Music Ensemble, "Brandenburg #5," Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2nd floor, 4pm, \$3 donation.

"Summer Spectacular" the Marriage of Food & Wine, Arco Arena, 1:30-4:30pm, \$25, Food & Wine served by 20 area restaurant & winery teams; 922-0222, 452-8271.

San Francisco Opera: "The Bartered Bride," Sigmund Stern Grove, 19th & Sloat, S.F., free; 2pm.

Gay Softball League: Merc vs. TownHouse, 12noon; Wreck Room vs. Faces, 2pm; 21st & C St.

Gay Contractors Group, first meeting, 7pm; Golden Gate Business Assoc. 415-441-3651.

Women's Rap: "Surprise Topic," Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

Healthwatch: Highlights from the 7th Int'l Conference on AIDS, UCD Med Center Auditorium, 2315 Stockton Blvd., 7-10pm.

P-FLAG meeting: Speaker: Judy Ludwick, RCDC, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 7:30pm; 665-1050.

Heart to Heart Rap Group: "Fantasy Forum II: Making Fantasy Reality," SAF, 1900 K St., #200; 6:30pm; 448-2437.

DEUCE, Oakland City Center, 12th & Broadway, noon, free.

Golden Gate Business Association: 4th Annual Swimwear Fashion Show, 8pm-1am, Pleasure dome, 100 Townsend St., S.F.; \$5/door.

Common Sense Dog Training, Beginning, 6:30pm, Puppies, 6:30pm, Advanced, 7:30pm, Intermediate, 7:30pm; Bohemian Park, betw. Howe & Bell off Marconi on Wright St; 485-2201 reservations.

Country Western Cruise, Music by Joey, River City Queen, 10pm-1am, \$30/person, 427-5713.

"Consultants 'R' Us," Consultants contribute expertise to small business owners, Sac. Women's Center and Profitability Services, 8am-12:30pm; 441-4207, 489-8836.

Gay Softball League: TownHouse vs. Faces, noon; Wreck Room vs. Mercantile, 2pm; 21st & C St.

Women's Rap: "The Wonderful World of Lesbian Personal Ads," Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

DEUCE Refugio Valley Park, Hercules, 2-4pm, free.

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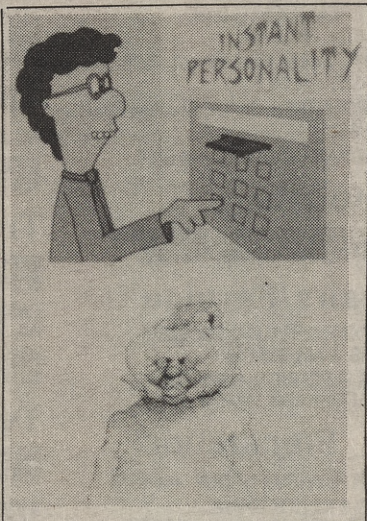
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August

Saturday 3

Crystal Fair, Holiday Inn, Madison & I-80, 10am-6pm, \$4. (also Sunday Aug. 4).



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Safe 4th of July!

Tuesday 6

Heart to Heart Rap Group: "Being Positive About Being Negative," SAF, 1900 K St., #200; 6:30pm; 448-2437.

New Beginnings Land Trust, 1211 H St., #B, 6pm; 441-0749.

Wednesday 7

Golden Gate Business Association: Make Contact at the Metro Bar & Restaurant, 3600 16th St., 5:30pm. No charge, optional dinner follows; reservations 415-703-9750.

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Sunday 18

Wreck Room vs. Mercantile, noon; TownHouse vs. Faces, 2pm; 21st & C St.

Monday 19

Women's Rap: "Lesbian Reading Circle" (bring your favorite Lesbian book), Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

Tuesday 20

P-FLAG meeting: Speaker: Linda Birner, Publisher, MGW Newspaper, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 7:30pm; 665-1050.

Sunday 25

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Monday 26

Women's Rap: "Coming Out Stories," Lambda Center, 7pm; 442-0185.

THEATRE

American River College Theater Arts Dept. - Anything Goes - July 12-July 28; 484-8234.

Carmichael Civic Theatre - Once Upon A Mattress - thru July 20; Pal Joey - Oct. 18-Nov. 30; 489-6880.

Eureka Theatre Company - La Nona (The Granny) Sept. 21-Oct. 20; Two Rooms - Nov. 16-Dec. 15; Nightlight (Feb. 15-March 14, 1992); Show & Tell (April 4-May 2, 1992); Abundance (May 30-June 27, 1992); 415-558-9898.

Foothill Theatre Co. - Till Death Do Us Part - Sept. 13-14; 265-8587.

Garbeau's Dinner Theatre - You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown - thru July 20; Agatha Christie's Towards Zero - July 26-Sept. 21; Monday Night Concert Series - Strunz & Farah - June 3; Tom Borton - July 1; David Becker Tribune - July 29; Windows - Aug. 19; 985-6361.

Music Circus - The Music Man July 8-14; Little Me - July 15-21; Joseph & The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat - July 22-28; Me & My Girl - July 20-Aug. 4; Sweet Charity Aug. 5-11; La Cage Aux Folles - Aug. 12-18; Sophisticated Ladies - Aug. 19-25; Grand Hotel - Aug. 27-Sept. 1; 441-3163.

Offstage Theater Company - medea ET AL - thru July 27; 449-5995.

Sacramento City Actors Theatre - As You Like It - July 5-Aug. 2; Othello - July 12-Aug. 3; 449-7228.

Sacramento Theatre Company - All My Sons - Sept. 13-Oct. 6; A Raisin in the Sun - Oct. 25-Nov. 17; How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying - Dec. 6-Jan. 5, 1992; The Fifth of July - Jan. 24-Feb. 16, 1992; Latins Anonymous - March 6-29, 1992; At the Still Point - April 24-May 17; 443-6722.

Dancin' in the streets



Martha Reeves, formerly of Martha Reeves and The Vandellas will be bringing "Jimmy Mack," "Heat Wave" and other solid gold hits to Old Sacramento on Sunday July 7. "Come and Get These Memories" is a free concert on the green across from the California Railroad Museum in Old Sacramento. The event is sponsored by KHYL-FM, Oldies 101.

Cartoon Art Museum - "Electronic Comics & Computer Art" thru Sept. 14; 415-546-9481.

Crocker Art Museum - The Transparent Thread: The Tao of Contemporary Art; Sept. 6-Oct. 27; Kingsey Centennial - Sept. 13-Oct. 27; Bountiful Harvest; 19th Century California Still Life - Nov. 15-Dec. 29; Alfred Jacob Miller - Jan. 10-Feb. 16, 1992; Photostroika; New Soviet Photography - Feb. 28-April 5, 1992; Highlights of the Early California Painting Collection - thru April 1992; Masterpieces of Early California Painting - April-June, 1992; 67th Annual Crocker-Kingsley Exhibition - April 25-June 4, 1992; 449-5423.

Michael Himovitz Gallery (Downtown) - "Introductions" - David Airhart, Shigako Holliday, Barbara Leventhal Stern, Katrin Weise, Gavin Dillard; July 13-Aug. 3; Reception July 13, 4-6pm; 448-8723.

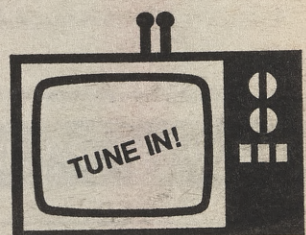
Michael Himovitz Gallery (Pavilions) - "Introductions" - Richard Hornaday; July 10-Aug. 3; Reception: July 13, 4-6pm; 925-5917.

Lioness Bookstore - Women to Women's Art Show and Sale - thru July 8; 442-4657, 893-2063.

Lite Rail Gallery - Guy Colwell thru July 8.

Shenandoah Gallery - "Summer Show" thru July 29; Works by Carol Attoe, Suzan Goodban, Barbara Milman; 209-245-4455.

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Theatre Rhinoceros - Drag Queens in Outer Space - thru Aug. 3; 415-861-5079.

GALLERIES

Archival Framing - reception: July 6, 7-9pm, 1729 L St. (new location) - "Sampler" - 444-9624.

California Arts Council Gallery - "Czech Introspective," thru July 3; 739-3186.